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THE TIMES Tomorrow

It's always raining, the ciabbonse is rotten and usually no more than five of the players turn up. Alan Franks, dropped from the tesse, watches from the sidelines of the Modern the Old Boys play footer, delving into the world of Howard Ragian, legendary captain of the Old Belfinghamians – bottom of the Darwinian league and with-out a win in 10 seasons. On the Books Page, Michael Ratcliffe reviews Rouseau as a young men, Fiona MacCarthy looks at women's bodies, Nicholas

Shakespeare considers first novels and Brian Alderson examines children's picture Gatwick Airport: An eight-page Special Report looks at London's second airport.

US orders Cubans to leave

Two members of Cuba's mission to the United Nations were ordered to leave the United States after being accused of "hostile intelligence activities" in the New York area.

Schor Rolando Salup-Cento, a thrid secretary, and Señor Josquin Rodobaldo Penton-Cejas, an attaché, were given 24 hours to contest the expulsion

Benn's battles in three areas

Mr Wedgwood Benn's search for a new parliamentary seat will spread over three Bristol constituencies next month.
After his expected failure in Bristol, South, he will face selection fights in Bristol, East, and Kingswood Page 2

Papusoiu to go Mr Stancu Papusoiu, the Roma-

Britain last month led to widespread protests, has been erdered to leave Austria Page 6

No appeai

The Court of Appeal refused leave for Paul Vickers, the surgeon who phistoned his disabled and mentally ill wife, in November, 1981, for murde

Kremlin conflict

Reports circulating in Moscow that factional struggles are persisting in the Kremlin have been reinforced by the failure of Mr Konstantin Chernenko, secretary of the Communist Party's Central Committee, to attend a key Polithuro meeting-Page 8

Fire verdict

A verdict of misadventure was recorded on a brother-in-law of Mr Michael Foot, Mr James Cochrane-Haighett, aged 74, who died after a fire at his

'Scrap BNOC'

Esso has called for the abolition of the state-owned British National Oil Corporation and BP and Shell favour a review of its role as North Sea oil price-

Petrol doubt

American experience suggested that many motorists would be unhappy with unleaded lowoctane petrol, a leading supplier of lead additives said, announcing it would continue to oppose the proposed ban

Aberdeen final

Aberdeen reached the final of the European Cup -Winners' Cup in Goteborg next month, despite losing 1-0 to Waterschei. in their semi-final second leg match in Belgium last night.
Aberdeen won the first leg 5-1.
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Special Reports today take a look at the world tea industry and report on the mood in Hongkong as Britain and China discuss the colony's future.

Letters: On BL, from Mr G H B Cattell; Services and unem-ployed, from Mr K D Jamieson,

and others Leading articles: After the Beirut bomb; resumption of Madrid conference; TUC and

Labour Party

Features, pages 12, 13, 14 Why servicemen should be allowed to sne; Bernard Levin makes a telephone prayer, no carve up for the SDP. Wednesday page: the foxhunters who begged a Tory: keeping cancer

in perspective. Obitaary, page 16 Mr Janis Sapiets



British Steel cash 'to modernize' **US** mills

By Bailey Morris and Edward Townsend

to modernize ageing American caig but last December, was plants as part of a proposed joint venture with the British keep open its steelmaking. Steel Corporation, Congressional investigators were will add £100m to the corporation ation's annual costs.

Mr David Roderick urged Congressmen to support the controversial venture which he said was in the vital interest of both companies.
"British Steel needs a market

and can invest in a mill to ensure one. US Steel needs capital – both up front and from joint venture profits – to modernize our steelmaking and finishing facilities at our plants across the country," Mr Roderick said

rick said. He disclosed that the first \$400m (£256m) in profits earned from the proposed joint venture would be used to refurbish the 30-year-old Fairless steel works near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania,

In addition, part of the capital arranged by British Steel would be used to modernize other out-dated US Steel plants.

Last night, BSC continued the silence it has so far maintained over the proposed deal. Despite considerable publicity in recent weeks, the corporation has not even admitted that it has been in discussion with US Steel.

At the end of last month, Mr Ian MacGregor, BSC chairman, said that premature leaks had jeopardized the chances of uccess of such a project and the BSC's competitors were "wait-ing in the wings" to take over the deal.

The scheme could lead to up to half of the 4,000 workers at BSC's Ravenscraig steel plant in Lanarkshire losing their jobs and as many as 3,000 at Fairless, United Kingdom steel mion leaders have opposed the deal but Mr MacGregor has told ministers that a diastic contact at Randscrip of the enhance to give it a chance of becoming

British money would be used He wanted to close Ravens

Ministers have been encour aged by projections that the BSC could supply US Steel with £1,000m of unfinished steel from Ravenscraig in the next three year's and would ensure the continuation of steelmaking at the Scottish plant for another five years at least.

Yesterday European Community sources disclosed that the proposed venture is being closely followed in Brussels, which is currently overseeing a massive restructuring of the Enropean steel industry.

The British Government's plan has not yet been sent to the EEC, largely because of the incomplete proposed joint venture which could affect production significantly, sources said.

The Congressmen, in response to pressure from American nations, had invited Mr Roderick to Washington to explain the company's plans. He told them that the only way to save the threatened Fairless steel works, which normally employs about 7,400, was to proceed with the joint venture. The other two options - to continue operating the outdated plant or to rebuild it at a cost of \$1,900m - were simply

He added that no formal arrangements with British Steel had been completed, but lawyers in Washington close to the case said that, unless Congress raised significant objections, the deal would go through quickly: Members of the United Steelworkers union, however, are certain to oppose the venture both through the court, and with a strong grassroots pressure on Congress

American duo likely to win Sotheby's

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent Mr Marshall Cogan and Mr Stephen Swid, the American duo bidding for Sotheby's, the auctioneers, are likely to win control unless a higher bid is

made in the next two weeks. Mr Gordon Brunton, the chairman of Sotheby's said vesterday that he had also heard that the Americans now owned 50 per cent of the company. This was denied, however, by Mr Swid, a director of the American company General Felt Industries/Knoll International. "We are not saying that we have a majority of the

stock, but we do expect that by May 4 we will own over 50 per The confusion seems to have: arisen because under takeover rules in Britain and America, Mr Swid is not as yet allowed to

buy the necessary shares al-though he expects to have arranged the legal clearances by early May. However, there is nothing to revent the owners of Sotheby's shares giving Mr Swid an unofficial "yes" to his offer. Since more than half of Sotheby's shares appear to be

now held by Americans it is likely that this will happen. Mr Swid is therefore confi-dent that his bid will succeed, provided no other party comes in and offers the shareholders a more hicrative alternative. Mr Marshall Cogan, Mr Swid's partner, appears to have made this plain in telephone conver-



Mr Cogan and Mr Swid

sations that he has had in recen days with some of the Sotheby's

Their success rate on contact Their success rate on contacting staff seems however, to remain low. "Marshall has had a meeting with one and I have spoken at length, for half an hour, with one gentleman", Mr Swid said. He also claims that some experts on both sides of the Atlantic have rung them but declines to give names. In making the calls the experts

were "risking negative peer reaction", he explained. In London, Mr Brunton denies the Americans' alle-gation that he has made any move to ban contracts with Sotheby's staff. He had asked at BL's Cowley assembly plant the staff at the beginning of the year whether they wished for a men hold their next mass meeting with Mr Cogan and Mr Swid and more than 40 had declined. But no pressure had been brought to bear on any individual

.Mr Brunton says that Sotheby's formal defence document will be ready at the beginning of next week. Meanwhile, he strongly suggests that a rival bidder is still a possibility.

Ousted: Anna Ford at home with her daughter Clare after being told of her dismissal.

Maggie May or may not choose June

By Julian Haviland and Anthony Bevins

continued her tantalizing tease about the timing of the next election, with a reference to the

song Maggie May.
She told the annual dinner of the Confederation of British Industry, at the Hilton Hotel in London, that some people were talking of the end of the Parliament, "a little prema-turely, I think.
"It reminds me of the old

song, Maggie Mag. Some say Maggie may nothers say Maggie may not a can only say that when the time comes, I shall inatcher then

added: "Right now, I am more She also gave a measure of her own plans when she revealed that she would be looking for a young school-leaver to join the staff of 10 communications Bill, Downing Street under the

Youth Training Scheme. "I hope that he or she will receive a good grounding during the year with us. Perhaps one day, who knows, the training in No 10 will be of use in applying for my job, in the next century!"

Mrs Thatcher said the
Government had laid the

foundations for recovery with cuts in taxation; with a £2,000m reduction in the national insurance surcharge, and equally important reductions in personal taxes. But she also stressed that

there was another, mseen tax: inflation. "Yes, inflation is a tax, and a savage and capticious one which Government's im-

There was guarded optimism on

both sides last night that although hard bargaining still

lay ahead, the three-week strike

National officers of the two

main unions involved met local

officials and shop stewards yesterday to discuss the result of

seven hours of talks on Monday

between union leaders and

management. Mr Harold Mus-

grove, chairman of Austin Rover, has said the company

will not drop its plans to end

The Prime Minister last night pose without seeking or securing Parliament's sanction. It is a tax imposed at such a penal level that a family who put £100 by in 1963, against a rainy day, finds that its value has fallen to only £16.50 now." . Mrs Thatcher warned that economic recoveries were al-

ways patchy, but she added:
"There are signs that we may be
entering a period of more
general and more sustained Minsters and Govenment

officials, unnerved by the Prime Minister's willingness to allow continuing speculation about an eral election, have made preliminary asses concerned with the job in of which Bills would have to be icttisoned. From informal soundings of

> have learnt that there will be no agreement to speed the Tele-The Police and Criminal Evidence Bill, which has yet to

the Opposition front bench they

complete its passage through the Commons, and the Data Protection Bill, would also be among the casualties.

■ The Government yesterday delayed the moving of the wrin for the Cardiff, North-West, byelection till the latest date

It is expected to take place on Thursday, June 2, three months to the day after the death of Mr Michael Roberts, who had a Conservative majority of 6,262, unless Parliament has been dissolved before then in readiness for a June general election.

Alliance carve-up, page 14 | London are to be wound down.

BL hope of deal by Friday

of May 16 for that to begin.

working. He set a deadline

A mass meeting of 1,200 of

the 5,000 on strike voted by a large majority yesterday to stay

taking place and to meet on

Cowley is one of the few

plants remaining in Austin

Rover which does not have Audited Plants Status (APS), a

formula linking payments to international standards of

efficiency. As a result, Cowley's

Rank Xerox to cut 1,100 more jobs

The 'Famous Five' are reduced to three

Yesterday's announcement followed speculation that the Gloucestershire plant would be closed completely but Mr Dick Holmes, the European director, who earlier met union represen tatives to tell them of the news, said this was not the case. reduced from the present 2,700 to just over 1,000 by the end of 1984. It is a regrettable decision brought about by technical advancement and the need to remain competitive in a keen world market," he said. 'It is a disastrous blow to jobs in an area which already has a

Thousands of jobs are expected to disappear over the next four years in a radical reorganization of Central Electricity Generating Board management, it was disclosed yesterday. Those affected in the 55,000-strong industry are office staff and highly-qualified engineers and scientists. Under the proposed scheme, the board's regional headquarters at Bristol; Stockport; Greater Manchester; Harrogate, North Yorkshire; Solihull, West Midlands; and Bankside in

the introduction of APS at

Cowley has been the tradition

of leaving three minutes early, which the company says costs it 100 cars a week, worth £50m a year. APS would be introduced

on May 16 if the men accepted

the deal. The intention is to

increase production of the new Maestro from 2,200 a week to

The stewards would still like

James Curran, page 14 Letters, page 15

to see a direct lump sum "buy

the northern end of the embassy

out" of early leaving.

The Rank Xerox company has announced it will be axing a further 1,100 jobs from its

plant in the Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire over the next two years. The company, which produces copying machines at the Mitcheldean factory, last month said 500 jobs would have to go by the end of June.

> increasing bitterness. The announcement

high unemployment level of 14

deputy foreign minister in for

- and Lord Carrington flew to the week.

Ford and Rippon swept out by new broom

The "Famous Five" of TV- do I want to play with the new am's commercial breakfast television show became the "Famous Three" yesterday with the dismissal of two of the star presenters, Anna Ford and Angela Rippon. The move came a week after the appointment of Mr Timothy Aitken as chief executive and is seen as part of a determined bid to reverse the decline in ratings and confidence in the company.

Miss Ford was called into see Mr Aitken yesterday morning and was handed a letter stating she had been dismissed. "It said my contract had been terminated for a particular reason and rve given it to my solicitor to see what he says", Miss Ford who is 39, said. Miss Rippon was called in soon afterwards and was also dismissed.

Although Miss Ford refused to give details, TV-am employees said the women were dismissed for talking to the press after the removal of Mr Peter Jay as chief executive. Both appeared outside the company's Camden Lock studios in north London carrying placards in support of Mr Jay.

Mr Michael Parkinson, who
with his wife Mary, hosts the
weekend Good Morning Britain

show, said last night that Miss Ford and Miss Rippon had been "lousily and shabbily treated" and that he was reconsidering his own future with the company.

"I've been reconsidering my future ever since Peter Jay was sacked", he said. "It's not the company we put together and I handling the situation better.

"I'm very upset and bitter. contract." The company we formed has gone. We lost It's a question of

Mr Parkinson said he had seen Miss Ford after her dismissal and she "looked terribly white. All she said was: 'T've been sacked.' They were called in like in front of a

headmaster. Surely we are all too grown up for that? I'm just baffled, mystified, I can't see the sense of it. "How can you sack people for things they said in a time of extreme stress and emotion? Anyway, it's absurd for anyone not to have their own opinion. I'm not supposed to be speaking

to the press and that's what they were sacked for. I don't think the situation can get any worse. You don't solve your problems by getting rid of two of the star

Miss Ford, speaking at her home in Brentford, Middlesex, while holding her 15-month-old daughter Clare, said: "I feel shocked. It was somewhat unexpected, I am officially on holiday and was not due to start work again until June."

She added that she had a twoyear contract with the company and it seemed that the company had now broken it. Asked about her 2.5 per cent shareholding, she replied: "I don't know what will happen to that, It's an

interesting point."
Miss Ford and Miss Rippon vere reputed to be earnig nearly £70,000 a year each. Mr Robert Kee, who recently

transferred from being a presenter to conducting interviews, said last night: "I can't discuss think there were ways of the internal affairs of the company, as it says in my

Continued on back page, coi 5

Minister off to Moscow to mend fences

By Henry Stanhope, Diplomatic Correspondent

between Britain and the Soviet Owen went there in 1977. Union after several years of

made by the Foreign Office yesterday only four days after it had expelled the sixth Russian official in an many months, the latest in a series of tit-for-tat

Mr Rifkind's visit is a associated with a new different kind of tit-for-tat Soviet approach to interfollowing that made to London national affairs.

Officially Mr Rifkind is going consultations"

Although Mr Francis Pym, mainly with Mr G. Kornienko, the Foreign Secretary, attended first deputy foreign minister. He Mr Brezhnev's funeral last year will also visit Leningrad later in

Mr Malcolm Rifkind, Parlia-mentary Under-Secretary at the Foreign Office, will fly to the European Council, this will Moscow on Sunday in a new be the first bilateral visit by a move to improve relations British minister since Dr David

The exchange of ministers is a signal that both governments are ready to discuss a range of bilateral issues - of which the row over expulsions is only one. Sources were pointing out last night however that Britain wants only a "hard-headed, realistic dialogue". A constructive relationship must be

"political consultations with a number of officials, but

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Death toll grows as rescuers comb Beirut wreckage

From Robert Fisk Reirut

Red Cross workers digging through the ruins of the American Embassy in Beirut broke through to the crushed cafeteria section of the building yesterday afternoon and found another five bodies embedded in the masonry, bringing the total number of dead in Monday's bombing to fortyeven this grim figure moving far discovered.

recovered were taken from the countries which are also conrubble in white plastic bags and inbuting froops to the multi-carried to a tent where relatives national place keeping force m of those still missing were Beirut including the British witing in misery to identify the

Cross thought it very unlikely that anyone would still be found The embassy was crowded

with visitors and cleaning staff as well as diplomatic personnel when the bomb exploded at lunchtime, so neither the Americans nor the Lebanese police authorities know exactly how many people were in the building at the time - nor how seven - and with the prospect of many dead are still to be

In the hours after the assault highfer.
The latest bodies to be on the embassy, diplomats from new security procedures that They knew what they would might prevent the same fate have to see because, as Mr befalling their own compounds. British officials in Lebanon Robert Dillon, the American Ambassador, announced bleak- will not disclose what measures ly during the morning, the Red they are planning, although the



Mr John Reid, embassy press officer: Hurt in blast. British Embassy - like its American opposite number - Two Lebanese men have told stands unpleasantly exposed on the Beirut police authorities the Mediterranean Boulevard in that they saw a man in a black

the same road on Monday. Mr Dillon was more forthcoming about them yesterday, saying that, while he was still misure of the facts, there were

heavily-loaded van force its way in. How it was detonated, I don't know."

but busy roadway. driveway, apparently detonat-Although cars are not permiting the explosives and killing ted to park outside the fourhimself at the same time, storey building, only one Lebaalthough the Americans have nese policeman, with an auto-matic rifle, stands guard outside not yet subscribed to the thory that the killer was on a suicidal - he can scarcely offer much protection against the sort of Lebanese and American determined men who slaughbomb disposal officers believe that as much as 500th of tered so many people just down hexagene - four times as

West Beirut, flanked by a small leather jacket drive the van into

early leaving, but offered to week compared with £30 at increase bonus earnings on the Longbridge.

day the men_accept "bell to One of the main obstacles to

powerful as TNT - was set off. Of the 47 dead, 16 are believed to be Americans A Briton was among those killed in the bombing. He was Sergeant Richard Twine, aged eyewitness reports that a large van filled with explosives forced its way into the forecourt of the 36, who had served in the Embassy, "two competent witnesses," He said, "saw a very American Army for the past 18 years and who was due to be demobbed in two years, the Press Association reports.

Stubborn Israelis, page 6 Leading article, page 13

Fears over lost rural heritage

Concern at the impoverish-ment of the rural architectural heritage by the rapid disappearance of old barns, granaries and other traditional farm buildings is expressed in the annual report of the Historic Buildings Councii for England, published

yesterday. If unlisted and outside conscrvation areas, most such structures are unprotected by law and incligible for repair grants, it says. Thorough and up-to-date listing on a consist-ent basis is urgently needed to earch the buildings while they still survive.

It seems to be insufficiently understood or publicized that capital grants are available from the Ministry of Agriculture for agricultural improvements, which may involve the adaptation of old buildings, the report says. But it must be accepted that relatively few can now be used for their original purposes, and if they are to survive an alternative use must be found.

Historic Buildings Council for England. Annual Report. 1981-82 (Stationery Office, £5.10).

Firemen reject compromise

The executive of the Fire Brigades Union last night unanimously rejected a compromise aimed at averting a series of one-day strikes by

firemen next week.

They will urge firemen to reject the Home Office proposal that a four per cent increase in pension contributions should be introduced in two phases.

Regional voting on mandating delegates to a special union conference in London next week has been swinging heavily behind the strike call.

AA asks for 80 mph limit

The speed limit on Britain's motorways should be raised to 80 or 85 mph, the House of Commons Transport Committee was told by the Automobile Association last

The 70 mph limit is inappropriate and widely disregarded, the association said. In towns, national criteria should be adopted to stop local authorities imposing speed limits that drivers would be unlikely to

Murder charge

Gerald Lee, aged 18, of High Street, Clydach Vale, was remanded in custody for a week yesterday at Ystrad Magistrates Court, South Wales, charged with murdering Miss Lesley Ann Thomas, aged 22, of Thomas Street, Tonypandy.

Grants inquiry

West Midlands County Council is to ask the police to investigate suspected abuses of grants to promote racial har-

The council had paid £80,000 to 115 ethnic groups. Auditors suggested that five cases should

Correction

The circulation of *The Economist* (report, April 14) is 243,677.

Benn's search for a seat should be over next month

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

Mr Wedgwood Benn's search would seem to be more for a new parliamentary seat is promising. But many of Mr likely to be resolved the Benn's supporters in Parliament weekend in May when Labour and outside say privately that parties in the three Bristol they wish he had abandoned constituencies on which he has Bristol and gone for one of the meetings.

Supporters of Mr Michael their interest Cocks, Labour's chief whip, are candidate, confident that he will beat off Mr Benn's challenge for the Bristol, South, nomination on

Saturday, May 7.
The seat is Labour's safest in the city and under the boundaries redistribution it has been extended to include Knowle and Windmill Hill, parts of Mr Benn's existing South-East constituency, which is to disap-

After his expected failure in Bristol, South, Mr Benn would face selection meetings on the following day in the constituencies of Bristol, East, and Kingswood. In both he is thought to have a good chance of winning the nomination, although the likelihood of his

less strong than it would have been in South. The contest for Bristol, East, would be held between Mr Benn and Mr Ronald Thomas, the former Labour MP for Bristol, North-West. It consists of many parts of his existing seat and Mr

Benn would almost certainly have the nomination. The dilemma for Mr Benn and his supporters is whether he would stand a greater chance of being returned to the Commons as the candidate for the third

seat. Kingswood. The contest there in the afternoon will be between the loser at Bristol, East, in the morning and Mr Terence Walker, the former MP for the seat. The constituency is held by the Conservatives but is likely to retrun to Labour after a big revision. The wealthier southern half has been transferred to the Wansdyke scat and four existing Bristol words have

a claim hold their selection safe Labour seats whose con-meetings. safe Labour seats whose con-stituency parties have indicated their interest in him being their Some feel that he would be the ideal choice for Bermond-sey, now that Me Peter Tatchell had announced that he will not

Labour's proposed "national economic assessment" with the trade unions if the party regains power must not be a return to the discredited policies of government-imposed wage restraint, Mr Benn said last night (Our Labour Editor writes from Rothesay).

Speaking at a fringe meeting at the Scottish TUC conference, he argued that the biggest problem facing the party's supporters was "the demoralization that the Tories have brought about among so many eventual election is obviously people, who have sunk back into apathy and hopelessness."

> Labour's new election slogan "Caring makes economic sense", was unveiled at the conference yesterday Mr David Bassnett, chairman

of Trade Unions for a Labour Victory, told delegates: "This year can be different because the Government can be chan-ged. That fact concentrates our minds, informs our speeches and tempers our resolution."

The link between public service spending and a resumption of economic activity is expected to be a key factor in the effort by Mr Michael Foot, leader of the Opposition, to unite the unions behind him over the next few months.

Trade union leaders have

been invited to a Bishop's Stortford-style conference in-volving the Shadow Cabinet, the TUC and the Labour Party national executive on May 3 een added.

Of the two, Kingswood election.

Two-tier AUEW may be unity compromise

From Barrie Clement, Labour Reporter

union's president, may how-ever, have to accept a two-tier under the two-tier system. ever, have to accept a two-tier white collar and blue collar TASS would become the whitestructure, an arrangement collar section and the engineers, which he has consistently construction and foundry workopposed. But the annual conference of the main policy-making other division. body of the union was told

Talks are to continue on yesterday that it might be the amalgamation and officials only way to bring the union were yesterday hoping that a together after the abortive solution will be found. How-

The Amalgamated Union of the communist general sec-Engineering Workers, Britain's retary of the Technical and second largest union, is to make Supervisory Section (TASS) and another attempt to form a his top officials to accede to strong united organization from regular reelection. Mr Gill and the present loose federation of his left-wing executive have the one million membership. been appointed for life, but
Mr Terence Duffy, the officials of other sections face

ers would merge to form the

attempts of the past decade. ever, few delegates were predictione of the difficulties facing ing a quick end to a saga which amalgamation has been the had been characterized by reluctance of Mr Kenneth Gill, personal acrimony.

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Return of the horse that eclipsed all-comers

names in turf history, whose direct descendants include at least eight out of every 10 racehorses in the world today, is about to make a return appearance at Newmarket, where his 20-length victories once gave rise to

the saying "Eclipse first, the rest nowhere", Nicholas Colt writes. His remains will be on display at the new National Horseracing Museum, due to be opened by the Queen on April 30. In charge of reconstructing the skeleton is Dr Juliet Jewell (right), of the Natural History Museum, where the bones have been since

Foundation

of Turner

gallery laid

By Christopher Warman

Arts Correspondent

Gallery in London, was un-

veiled yesterday by Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, 132 years after the painter died

they should all be housed and

The Tate Gallery said yester-day that with this building

Turner's vision could finally be

The Turner Society, however,

is concerned about arrange-

Minister for the Arts, to

withhold any government

money for the running of the

gallery until it receives guaran-

tees that all the works will be

housed together.

and left them to the nation.

The museum, set up entirely

through private donations at a cost of several hundred thousand pounds, is in the Victorian subscription rooms in Newmarket High Street, and will be Britain's first national museum devoted to the history of horseracing.

Eclipse was a pure English thoroughbred foaled in 1764. He enjoyed a phenomenally successful racing career with 18 victories during the two seasons of 1769 and 1770. Not noted for his good temper, the horse usually ran away in his races but, according to a contemporary report, "curiously never forgot to stop at the ending post". He was ridden throughout his career by J Oakley and S

Bred by the Duke of Cumberland, he was subsequently recognized 28 a great stallion, siring the winners of some £160,000 in prize money.

After Eclipse's death, in February, 1789, his corpse was dissected by Saint Bel, first head of the Royal College of Vererinary Surgeons, when it was noted that the heart weighed 141th. The skeleton was preserved in London. One hoof was mounted on a gold salver and presented by King William IV to the Jockey Club.

Although Eclipse was a large horse for his time, standing 15.3 hands, he had a relatively small pelvis and head. A painting of him by Stubbs is to hang alongside the skeleton.

Court move to free wife of supergrass

Constable of the Royal Ulster The foundation plaque for the Clore Gallery, which is to house and display the vast collection of the works of Constabulary, has been ordered the Clore Gallery, which is to house and display the vast collection of the works of Turner next door to the Tate Schoold not be issued for the release of Mrs Linda Quilgley, who with her husband Robert, an alleged Provisional IRA "supergrass", has been in protective custody since last

The £6m building, to be paid for by the Clore Foundation in memory of Sir Charles Clore, November. In a similar application made last year by relatives of another has been designed by Mr James IRA supergrass, Mr Christopher Stirling and is due to open in the summer of 1985. Black, the chief constable did not appear in person at the court and it is thought unlikely Turner specified in his bequest of 290 oils and 19,000 that he will appear before Mr watercolours and drawings that Justice Hutton today.

Mrs Quigley's solicitor made a court hearing in Londonderry last week in which she was awarded damages for injuries received in a car accident. In her evidence she said she wished to see her family and the judge said a meeting should be ments for the gallery and has asked Mr Paul Channon,

Her solicitor alleges she was not allowed to see her family, although the police say a meeting was arranged.

During the court hearing, Mr fartin McGuinness, Pro-Martin visional Sinn Fein assembly

Sir John Hermon, the Chief member for Londonderry, approached Mrs Quigley, saying that if she or her husband needed assistance they should

telephone him. Mr McGuinness, who has served a prison term in the Republic for membership of the Provisional IRA, said yesterday that Mr Quigley had telephoned his parents on Monday. He spoke to Mr McGuinness, who

claims the call was cut off
Mr McGuinness was in
contact by telephone with Mrs Lorraine Gilmour before she decided to leave her supergrass husband and return home on Monday. He appears to have been playing a pivotal role in communications between the wives of two

relatives. The wife of Mr Gerard Fitt. Independent Socialist MP for Belfast, West, was taken ill with an asthmatic attack yesterday, hours after the latest attack by vouths on their fortified home in Antrim Road, Belfast.

Mrs Ann Fitt, aged 60, was alone in the house on Monday night when youths hurled a tin of black paint at the front door and bottles, bricks and wood at the high steel mesh fence

SDP out to beat crisis over homes

By Baron Phillips. Property Correspondent

A national housing bank aimed at encouraging institutional investment in social housing for rent, and a modification of the present mortgage tax relief system are at the heart of sweeping changes the Social Democratic Party would make to existing housing policies.

Launching the party's Green
Paper A Strategy for Housing.
Mr John Cartwright, SDP
spokesman on local government, said yesterday: "Britain's
housing problems are rapidly reaching new crisis levels, and the main blame lies with the policies pursued by the Govern-

He added that the SDP would offer greater freedom of choice to individuals, and introduce greater fairness in the distri-

bution of public funds for housing. It is anxious to tap for public housing the funds of the large institutions such as pension unds and insurance companies. Home owners could expect changes in the mortgage tax relief system to give greater benefits to people on low incomes. Property, page 29 protecting the rear of the house. "gentlemen-player"

OFFICE DES POSTES ET TELECOMMUNICATIONS DU MALI

International Notice of Invitation to Tender

I SUBJECT: Main regional transmission line by radio relay system between KOUTIALA and SIKASSO. Rural telecommunications network in the zone controlled by the

Equipment and machinery for the telex exchange at BAMAKO. Supply of materials for the aerial-subterranean networks at BAMAKO and eight (8) other regional locations. Construction of civil engineering works (supply of materials and execution of works) for the aerial-subterranean telephone networks of BAMAKO and eight (8) other regional locations.

II FINANCING:

The materials, equipment and works concerned are being financed within the framework of the TELECOM II project, partly under credit No. 1200-MLI of the International Development Association (IDA) and partly self-financed by the Office des Postes et Télécommunications du MALL

The Invitation to Tender is open to all acredited local companies and all companies from countries which are members of the World Bank group.

The bids, submitted in the French language in six (6) copies, should be addressed to the Direction Générale de l'Office des Postes et Télécommunications du MALL, route de KOULOUBA.

IV DIVISION OF LOTS: The Invitation to Tender comprises nine (9) lots:

Lot I: The supply, installation, maintenance and instruction of personnel for a main transmission line by radio relay system to provide a telephone service between the towns of SIKASSO and

Lot II: The supply, installation, maintenance and instruction of personnel for a rural telecommunications actwork in the NIGER-BANI interior zone of the Office du Niger. Lot III: The supply, installation, maintenance and instruction of

personnel for a 500-line automatic telex exchange for the town of Lot IV: Supply and maintenance of 100 teleprinter machines. Lot Y: The supply of cables and auxiliary equipment for the aerial-

subterranean networks at BAMAKO as well as the areas of KATI, KOULIKORO, BOUGOUNI, KAYES, SEGOU, SIKASSO, SAN and KITA in two versions; base 10, base 7. Lot VI: The supply of tooling, measuring instruments and vehicles

for the aerial-subterranean networks.

Lat VII: Supply of 9,200 telephone sets.

Let VIII: Supply and execution of civil engineering works for the aerial subterranean network at BAMAKO.

Lot IX: Supply and execution of civil engineering works for the acrial-subterranean networks for the regional areas.

The bids can comprise: - all or part of a lot (lots I and II). one lot, several lots or all of the lots (for the other lots). Lots I and II are divided into two (2) compulsory sections: b) Maintenance and instruction of personnel. NB: For Lot III the bid should only refer to the equipment.

The documents detailing the Invitation to Tender can be obtained each working day from the following addresses as from 15 April

BAMAKO: Direction Générale de l'Office des Posses et Télécommunications du MALI, Route de KOULOUBA. WASHINGTON: Ambassade du MALI, 2190 E. Street N.W., DC NEW YORK: MALI Permanent Mission at the United Nations

111 E 69 Street, New York (NY).

PARIS: Ambassade du MALI, 69 Rue du Cherche-Midi, Paris BONN: Ambassade du MALL 53 Bonn-Bad Godesberg, Luissons, BRUSSELS: Ambassade du MALL, 112 Rue Camille Lemonier,

VI PRICE OF TENDER DOCUMENTS The documents may be obtained against payment by banker's cheque of the amounts indicated below for each lot. Radio relay system 100,000 FM Rural network 100,000 FM Lot III Automatic telex exchange 200,000 FM

Teleprinters Lot IV 100,000 FM Network supplies 200,000 FM Lot VI 150,000 FM Lot VII Telephone sets 100,000 FM Civil engineering works, Lot VIII BAMAKO 200,000 FM Civil engineering works, Lot IX regional areas 200,000 FM VII SUBMISSION OF BIDS AND OPENING OF

ENVELOPES: The bids for the International Invitation to Tender of 15 April 1983 should be sent to the Direction Générale de l'Office des Postes et Télécommunications du MALI at BAMAKO by 2 August 1983 at 1200 hours (standard time) at the latest

The opening of the envelopes will take place at a public meeting in

the conference room of the Direction Générale de l'Office des Postes et Télécommunications du MALI at BAMAKO

on 3 August 1983 at 0900 hours (standard time) Made at BAMAKO, 15 April 1983

Rebuilding plan for **London Zoo** By Tony Samstag

A three-year plan for the financially-troubled London and Whipsnade zoos, costing millions of pounds and involving new buildings and more effective marketing, has been presented to Mr Tom King, Secretary of State for the Environment.

The plan, which assumes a permanent government sub-sidy, includes a number of ambitious schemes to replace some of the oldest buildings, particularly in the London Zoo at regent's Park, Mr Colin Rawlins, director of zoos for the Zoological Society of London, said yesterday.

There would be new land-

scaped areas for temperate birds, birds of prey and parrots, now housed in what Mr Rawlins described as "monumental nineteenth century relics". The bear and goat hills would also be modernized.



Chief Supt Alison Halford, aged 42, who has been appointed Assistant Chief Constable for Merseyside (Management Services), with Mr Kenneth Oxford, Mersey-

side's Chief Constable. At present with an operations division near Heathrow, she is one of the first woman assistant chief constables

Sale room

Richielieu watch fetches £36.000

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

watch was sold in Paris on Monday for 410,000 francs two lots out of 176 left unsold testimate 60,000-80,000 francs A handsome silver ecuelle. or £36,000. The richly wrought silver watch was made in France in the early seventeenth

francs) or £30,000. The decoration of the case The Musee de la Legion incorporates Richelieu's arms surmounted by a cardinal's hat d'Honneur pre-empted the and a coronet. Richelieu vir- purchase of a dizain of the tually ruled France for 18 years order of Saint-Esprit, a chain of gold and ivory beads from which are suspended an enamed insignia and skull, at 42,000 under Louis XIII. The watch was included in an francs (estimate 15,000-20,000

francs) or £3,688.

Ader et Picard sale devoted to a single superb collection of antique jewels, French silver. Renaissance and later works of The unnamed collection by's secured the highest auction had been formed over the past prices over recorded for Islamic New York.

Cardinal Richelieu's carriage 50 years and realized more than bookbindings. It had for sale two Ottoman brown moroeco bindings of the fifteenth century A handsome silver ecuelle, cover and stand made by Antoine Gensolen of Toulon around 1729, sold for 350,000 richly tooled in gold and formerly in the distinguished F. R. Martin collection. francs (estimate 60,000-80,006

One sold for £13,200 (estimate £3,000-£5.000) to an anonymous collector and the other for £12,100 (estimate £2,000-£3,000) to the Victoria and Albert Museum: At Christie's a sale of Chinese

ceramics and works of art totalled £625,919 with 23 per cent unsold. The top bids came from American and Hongkong dealers with a Tang pottery figure of a Bacrian camel selling at £66,960 (estimate In London yesterday Sothe-£20,000-£30,000) to Rare Art of

Science report

Virus link in toxic. shock syndrome

By the Staff of Nature The "taxic shock syndrome", which consists of a high fever, vomiting, diar-rhoes, skin rash and reduced blood pressure, particularly in menstructing women, may not so much be due to infection by staphylococcal bacteria as to infection of the bacteria by a virus, according to scientists at New York's Rockefeller University.
The suggestion has been pur

forward by Dr John Zabriskle.
Dr Vincent Fischetti and Dr
Steven Schutzer, who have
examined strains of Staphylococcus aureus, a bacterius known to be associated with

toxic shock.
Strains were taken from toxic shock patients and from people without the condition; in 11 out of 12 toxic shock strains, the bacteria were infected by virus; but only one out of 18 non-toxic strains were infected.

Dr Schutzer and his colleagues point out that their suggestion is not altogether surprising because the symp-toms of toxic shock syndrome resemble those of scarlet fever which are, in part, caused by a toxin released upon viral infection of a streptucoccal

Even if the Rockefeller group turns out to be correct in supposing that staphylococcal-bacteria can similarly release toxin, it would remain to be shown how important a factor that was in the many recent cases of toxic shock syndrome in menstructing women, for whom the use of tampons has been implicated as the main risk factor, though the syn-drome has also been recorded in men and children.

Wisely, the Rockefeller team is not prepared to draw firm conclusions without further evidence. In particular it would like to show in animal experiments that Staphylococcas aurens causes toxic shock only when it is infected with virus. It will be difficult to de so because no species of animal is known to suffer from

the condition.

The other plan is to identify the proposed toxin be comparative biochemical analysis of virally infected and uninfected bacteria. With lack, that approach could be successful within a few months.

Source: Science, April 15 (vol 228, p. 316) 1983. Nature-Times News Service

Outline for Whitehall

Sir Frank Cooper, one of the most influential civil servants of recent years who retired as Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Defence last Dec; ember, unveiled last night a plan for the reform of White-

He called for an end to the between those who make policy and those who carry it out. The culture of the higher Ciril Service should be changed to reflect a strong management

Addressing the Royal Institute of Public Administration is London, Sir Frank said that his prescription included:

Graduate recruits into Whitehall should be required to gain a postentry professional qualifica Senior administrators must be able to understand and use computers.
A new grading structure, numbered from 1 to 20, should be introduced to replace existing heirarchies. The Defence Ministry alone had 900

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Rules of delegation and accomiability now satisfied the needs of a
policy-making under-secretary and
a small Whitehall staff. They should
be changed to reflect the requirments of an under secretary running
Devonport Dockyard with a wellforce of 13,000 and more than 30
ships in for refit. ships in for refit. Civil Service managers should have

the scope to reward financially good performances and to pendin inadequate work. More outsiders should be recruited More outsiders should be required on contract and fewer obsaces placed in the way of those wishing to leave. Efficiency would be aded by a more flexible retirement polycyclivil servants should stay in jobs long enough to understand them; be accountable for the results and early credibility with the outside world. Ministers, from the Prime Ministri down, must sustain an interest in

managing their domains or the imperus for change would weaken. Sir Frank added that for all the changes needed, the Civil Service remained an outstanding administrative machine in which he had been proud it

serve.
"I feel neither bloody nor." bowed by the frequently ignorant, dogmatic, ill-aimed and naive criticisms of the Civil Service which has often come from those who are both inadequate themselves and unable to command the confidence and respect of others."

Overseas selling prices

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THE TIMES WEDNESDAY APRIL 20 1983

Surgeon who poisoned his wife told case against him was 'overwhelming'

rare cancer drug known as medical evidence against Vick-alleged to have tried to black-CCNU was yesterday refused ers, but it was not significant. mail him into marriage by CCNU was yesterday refused ers, but it was not significant. leave to appeal against his "Right from the very beginned." conviction for murder.

The case against Paul Vickers, aged 48 and formerly at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, added. "He must have known

November, 1981, Vickers, of An Moor Crescent, Gosforth, was dence sentenced to life imprisonment. with a recommendation that he serve a minimum term of 17 years. Grounds for appeal included alleged defects in the

ice-cream

by the sea

tops poll

mer day out for British chil-

dren, according to a survey

Walls, the ice-cream makers,

asked more than 1,000 children

what food or drink they have on

a summer outing. Ice-cream or ice-lollies were the favourite of

55 per cent. Only 12 per cent

usually had a hamburger. Even

adults rated ice-cream second

only to a drink in a public

A day trip to the seaside was

the most popular summer pastime for adults and children

The Walls survey follows news last week that ice-cream

sales in Britain reached a record

£370m for 1982, despite pre-tions drops in profits. The children also rated ice-cream the most popular pudding when cating out, before gatean, trifle or strawberries and cream.

Aaron Smith, a horse dealer.

of Rectory Lane, Banstead, Surrey, was fined £50 by Guildford magistrates yesterday after pleading guilty to transporting a steer in a way likely to

cause it injury or unnecessary

Mr lan Brewer, prosecuting for the RSPCA, said that a calf bought by Smith as a family pet

injured a leg while being driven

told yesterday that retired watchman, aged 81, died after

being hit by a police car, answering an emergency call which drove through red traffic

The jury returned a verdict of accidental death on Mr Frede-

rick Thomas of Belmont Drive,

Newsham Park. No charges will be brought against Constable Anthony Evans, who was driving the car.

Nuclear power

The £1,000m Heysham

next two weeks. The station,

Mr Alan Finley, National

Nuclear Corporation overseas affairs manager, told a British Nuclear Forum conference in

Manchester yesterday that de-sign modifications caused

RAF jet crashes

Tax relief lost

Thousands of home owners

with bank mortgages are losing tax relief because of an adminis-

trative blunder by the Inland Revenue. About 30,000 home

owners in Scotland were not

included on the mortgage

interest relief at source scheme

(Minus) at the beginning of this

financial year because of inex-

their PAYE code, leaving them

more than double the total in

responsibilty for the error.

12,500 to run

the first run last year.

after error

plant to open

behind schedule.

helicopter.

Kilbride.

home from market in his van.

Pensioner hit

by police car

Owner of pet

calf fined

published yesterday.

A surgeon who poisoned his difficult case. The judge made Miss Collison, aged 35, had disabled mentally ill wife with a one slip in overstating a piece of an affair with Vickers and was

Right from the very begin-ning Vickers had behaved as no The case against Paul responsible medical practitioner Vickers, aged 48 and formerly could conceivably have behead of the accident department haved." Lord Justice Lawton

at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, added. "He must have known Gateshead, was "overwhelming", Lord Justice Lawton, presiding, said at the Court of Appeal.

"It was about as strong a case of poisoning as I can remember in a long period in the law", the judge added.

At Teesside Crown Court in November, 1981, Vickers, of An application to call evi-ence from three News of the World reporters over a news-paper article on Miss Pamela Collison, Vickers' codefendant, was rejected. Lord Justice Lawton said quotations by Miss trial judge's summing-up.

Lord Justice Lawton praised the summing up of Mr Justice the dock but the newspaper account was "rubbish" and of no value as evidence.

taking photocopies of prescrip-tions. She was acquitted of murder but received a sixmonth suspended prison sen-tence for dishonesty obtaining

Lord Justice Lawton said Miss Collison was kept "under wraps" by the journalists for two weeks and questioned for hour after hour. "If she had been treated by the police as she was treated by the press, what value would the evidence have been?", he asked.

Mr Gilbert Gray, QC, for Vickers, applied for the ad-mission of evidence of a knife attack by Miss Collison on another woman to demonstrate, he said, that she was not a "sweet, naive, innocent girl".

The Court of Appeal rejected that on the ground that it was too remote from the case.

Child blood pressure 'should be checked'

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

Prof Alastair Breckenridge of Prof Alastair Breckenridge of vances at a special meeting of Liverpool University said that the British Heart foundation as a preventive measure a entitled "Five Years Back and routine check on children could Five Years Forward in Cardiobe more effective in identifying individuals at risk from a heart this as one of the important attack than the screening of 40

and 50-year -olds.

He said that evidence emergpeople prone to high blood started veering towards the "high track" as early as the

The discovery that children divide into "low and high tracks" at such an early age comes from a continuing study begun six years ago of 2,000 babies in the London Borough of Bromley by Dr Elliott than had been hoped.

Shinebourne of the Brompton while it confirmed that the beautiful and a local team of factors like a high fat dist could

Children's blood pressure pressure veering on the high should be recorded from the side, the research data is not time they start school at five complete enough to devise a years old as regularly as checks national programme of inter-of their height, weight, hearing vention as a preventive mea-and sight, a heart specialist said sure.

advances to come

Dr Tom Meade, director of ing from research showed that the foundation's research group at Northwick Park Hospital Harrow, was disappointed by the conclusion of an inter-national investigation by the World Health Organization into the influence of life style on heart attacks. The effects of diet and smoking and regular health

Hospital and a local team of factors like a high fat diet could doctors, nurses and technicians. cause heart attacks by produc-While doctors might suggest ing high fat levels in the blood, straightforward measures, such the reduction of risk from more as changes in diet, to help a prudent diets was not very child who is seen to have blood large.

Drink to blame, Best says

admitted in the London Bankruptcy Court yesterday that his downfall was due to drink. "I am an alcoholic and have had a drink problem for 12 years", he

Mr John Booth, assistant official receiver, told Mr Best that his income had been spent on gambling drinking and An inquest in Liverpool was

expensive cars. Mr Booth criticized Mr Best, the former Manchester United and Northern Ireland inter-national, now with Bourne mouth, for not producing a "single scrap of paper" about his financial affairs. The Inland

George Bess, the footballer, Revenue has a claim against Mr who faces debts of £115,418, Best for £18,686.

Asked why he had not paid tax debts after receiving £20,000 from a biography written by Michael Parkinson in 1981 entitled Where Do I Go from Here?, Mr Best replied: "I offered to pay them £10,000, but they refused. I have to live The money went on supporting my wife and child."

The only asset of Mr Best aged 37, of Glasgow Road, Uddingston, Glasgow, was said to be £14,000, an interest in a Scottish company.

The public examination was adjourned to July 26.



Sir Anthony Jolliffe, the Lord Mayor of London entertained to lunch at Guildhall yesterday Major John Quin and Lance Corporal Michael Rowley, of 33 Engineer Regiment, who made safe the Second World War bomb found in the Thames on April 11 (Photograph: Harry Kerr).

Legal doubt on 'womb leasing'

By Frances Gibb Legal Affairs Correspondent injunction not to cut down trees on his estate at Hollingbourne.

Womb leasing the practice of a woman bearing a child for another in return for payment, was condemned as undesirable by the Law Society yesterday.

In its evidence to the Warnock inquiry on human fertilization and embryology, it reposed it should be a proposed it should be a criminal offence for a woman to offer the reward to bear a child for another, and for anyone to offer such reward or

act as an agent.

Any contract for the natural insemination by a man of a woman, intending later adop-tion of the child by a couple including one of the natural parents, was almost certainly illegal, the society claimed. It could be men forceable because contracts for sexual intercourse were against public

A paper by the society's family law committee also says that artificial insemination to allow couples to give birth to their children should be permitted only for hasbands and wives, or couples living

The society says that with the increasing use of artificial insemination (AID), there is a danger of genetic incest.
"Where doctors or others

offer artificial insemination on a large scale with semen of concealed or unidentified orithe prospects of halfbrothers and sisters meeting and mating increase almost exponentially."

AID and children resulting from it could be recorded, birth cerificates being coded with 2

Genetic engineering, to artificially create children by such processes as in vitron fertilization (test tube babies) should be allowed where it was in the interests of the future child. The same applied to associated research.

Experiments involving the use of human genetic material, in particular cioning experi-ments, should be forbidden. These did not appear to have any proper role in human

Jail threat over tree felling

By John Young, Agriculture Correspo

Mr Hugh Batchelor, a Kent farmer, was yesterday given a six-month suspended jail sentence for defying a High Court

Mr Justice Hodgson said the court took the gravest possible view of the fact that its authority had been so flagrantly disobeyed. He warned Mr Batchelor that if he ever broke his undertaking to respect all preservation orders by so much as a single hack on a tree, he would inevitably go to prison.

Mr George Newman, QC, for Mr Batchelor, said the clanging of the prison doors during the 14-days which his client spent in Pentonville earlier this month had had a marked effect on his attitude as to the seriousness, gravity and regard he must show for court orders

Mr Michael Gale, QC, for Maidstone district council, told the court that on February 17 this year it had come to the council's attention that the defendant had bought the Howe Court estate. He was said to have paid about £1m for the

The ancient Pilgrims' Way uns across the estate. The trees which had been destroyed had previously formed part of the view for people walking along both the Pilgrims' Way and the North Downs Way, and the

an area of outstanding natural applied for and recieved an exparte injunction.

The defendant was known to be a devotee of modern intensive farming methods which involved creating vast fields without any trees or hedgerows. In the light of that knowledge the council had very rapidly made a number of tree preservation orders under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1971.

The first order had been issued on February 21 and others had followed on February 23 and 24. On February 24 it was observed that Mr Batchelor had started felling the trees, the council immediately



Mr Batchelor: Must not use his axe

this stage Mr Batchelor was fully aware of the orders and of the area covered by the terms of the injuction. Yet in spite of undertaking given through his solicitor, further breaches of the injunction promptly occurred.

Witnesses confirmed that a number of trees which were still standing on February 24 had all gone by March 2. In these circumstances the council sent the defendant a letter notifying im that he was in contempt of court and that it intended to apply for a committal order.

After further breaches of the injunction, Mr Justice Drake committed the defendant to prison for 20 days on March 30. He was released with remission after serving 14 days.

The main concern of the council was to prevent further orders, Mr Gale said. It was therefore content that any further sentence should be

During the hearing, sup-porters of Friends of the Earth demonstrated outside the court buildings. Afterwards Mr Steve Billcliffe, the group's director, described the decision as a landmark in conservation law, and the first time to his knowledge that legislation governing tree preservation had been enforced to the hilt.

Low octane unleaded fuel 'causes knocking'

By Jonathan Davis

Energy Correspondent Many motorists will find wo-star unleaded petrol unsatsfactory when it is introduced. the monopoly supplier of petrol lead additive in Britain pre-

dicted yesterday.
Associated Octel, which produces more than 95 per cent of all the lead alkyls used in the manufacture of British petrol, said that American experience suggested three in ten motorists would find the performance of low octane unleaded petrol unsatisfactory.

The company is keeping up its fight against the banning of all lead compounds from petrol, in spite of the Government's endorsement of the Royal Commission report on Monday, recommending the phasing out of all lead in petrol by 1990.

A spokesman for the com-pany said that 22 per cent of motorists in the United States who had cars designed to run on unleaded petrol were buying higher octane fuel than they needed because they were unhappy with the engine "knocking" produced by two-star unleaded petrol.

Associated Octel, which is owned by five leading oil companies, said that the de-cision to introduce two-star unleaded petrol by 1990 would inevitably cast a shadow over the job prospects of its 2,700 British employees. The company, which has a turnover of £200m a year, most of it exported, employs 2,200 people in Elesmere Port, Merseyside.

The Government's decision to opt for two-star unleaded petrol in preference to the introduction of unleaded petrol with a higher octane rating has been broadly welcomed by the oil industry.

Such a move requires minimal new investment at oil refineries and means that the financial burden of the changeover will be borne largely by the motor industry, which vill have to introduce new engines at a cost of between £100m and £350m. Oil companies had been worried that they would be asked to modify their refineries to produce higher grade unleaded petrol.

In its report the Royal Commission was at pains to counter the charge that introducing unleaded petrol would lead to a significant increase in petrol pump prices. It rec-ommended that the tax on unleaded and leaded petrol should be adjusted to ensure that the price of unleaded petrol never exceeded that of the

Walking 'the best way to Arts Council praise for get to work on time' town centre mosaic By Christopher Warman, Arts Correspondent

A mosaic costing £125,000, shopping centre. the largest work of art to be publicly commissioned in Britain this century, was unveiled in the centre of Redditch. Hereford and Worcester, by Sir William Rees-Mogg, chairman of the Arts Council, yesterday.

The 12 mosaic panels which make up the work, each measuring 21ft by 10ft, are by Eduardo Paolozzi and were commissioned by the Redditch Development Corporation for the Kingfisher shopping centre. These are 20st above ground and line a piazza in the

Sir William said the work, to which the council contributed £7,500, would give enjoyment and interest to countless people for the next 100 years or more "I hope this will be an example to other public and private bodies".

He called on those contemplating putting up buildings to look to Redditch and Paolozzi's work. "I hope it will have a powerful influence in spreading similar work throughout the country.

If you want to get to work on time, use your feet rather than car or public transport, a survey

published today suggests.
It shows that office workers who walk or jog to work are 96 per cent certain not to be late. Those who cycle have 92 per cent chance of reaching work on time. But by using the London Underground the chances drop to 29 per cent, and on British

Rail to 28 per cent. Travelling by bus, car or motor cycle gives a better chance of being on time, but is not as realiable as going on foot.

The survey, conducted by the Alfred Marks Bureau, employment agency, asked 500 office workders how they managed to get to work. It found that the car had overtaken the train as the most popular way.

Most office workers travelled fewer than ten miles to work. In the regions, 54 per cent travelled by car, but in London the underground was still the most popular means of trans-port, used by 42 per cent, Eight per cent of thise questioned went on foot.

Penlee inquiry

Controller 'not to blame'

guard district controller, was in no way responsible for the loss of the lifeboat, the 1,400-ton nuclear power station in Lanca-shire will begin operation in the coaster Union Star, and the 16 people on board the two vessels; Mr Noel Horner told the Penlee powered by an advanced gascooled reactor, is seven years lifeboat inquiry in Penzance

> Mr Horner is representing the Smith and Wallis families, each of which lost a son on the lifeboat. He said he would not proceed with criticisms of Mr. Roberts. "We have no evidence. He did his best."-

Mr Horner reminded the court that Mr Gerald Darling QC, for the Department of Trade, had said of a witness Mr An RAF Jaguar fighter from No 6 Squadron, Coltishall, Norfolk, crashed into the North Horner wished to call, Mr John Douglas, former chief inspector Sea 30 miles from Cromer vesterday. The pilot ejected safely and was picked up by of coastguards, that the circumstances of his dismissal from the to show that the witness was coastguard could not possibly unbiased and an expert, and if entitle him to be an unbiased he did so, Mr Darling would witness about the coastguard.

Mr Robbie Roberts, coast- He did not know at what stage it ought to be dealt with.
Mr Horner had discussed

> and distinguished public ser- what effect the subsequent loss If the Department of Trade wished to pursue that, it must be prepared to fully substantiate the allegation. If it was not prepared to do so, it should

withdraw immediately and offer

him an immediate public

Mr Darling said he was reminding Mr Horner, perhaps too strongly, that expert wit-nesses did not become experts merely by describing themselves as such. Mr Horner would have to produce evidence unbiased and an expert, and if

Mr Horner criticized Captain Mick Moreton, the Union Star's master, for the unauthorized that with Mr Douglas. He stop in which he had picked up thought it a "disgraceful allegation" to make about a retired and asked the court to consider of time had had on his

Captain Eric Kemp, St. Ives lifeboat honorary secretary, said in response to Mr Horner's questions that had the coastguard made a radar plot it would have been known which ships were moving and which He considered that was a

shortcoming of the system, and said when it came to taking decisions on launching lifeboats and helicopters, it was an advantage for the man in charge to be where the radar was.

The hearing continues today.

observers for Prague

observers to the meeting of the Soviet-backed World Peace Council in Prague this summer. The decision is likely to be seen by opponents as evidence of viet sympathies within CND.

going into this with our eyes open. We are well aware that some will try and use this as a weapon against us." The CND representatives, he said, would make their position

perfectly clear: that they were only there as observers. They would be making a speech attacking Soviet arms sales to the Third World, on the illusion of nuclear parity and calling for a unilateral cut in the deploynent of Soviet SS20 missiles. It should be recognized that constructive proposals had been

made by Eastern block, he said. "We do not want to appear naive, but honesty demands that we communicate where we

The Ministry of Defence resterday reacted with caution to the campaign's challenge to distribute government leaflets on cruise. Trident and the nuclear debate with CND's own leaflets on the issues, as part of

ment. But we would want to see exactly what CND proposes to do with our literature before

The Royal Charter for the University of Buckingham is now officially sealed.

The University of Buckingham, formerly The University College at Buckingham, has now achieved full university status. It is Britain's only independent university and provides unique features in university education while retaining the traditional British emphasis on small-group teaching.

* Two-year degree course (BA, BSc, BSc(Econ), LLB) ★ Four ten-week terms per calendar year

* Programme of inter-disciplinary supporting courses, including modern languages, for all undergraduates

* January start for courses, with an additional Law intake in July Applications may be made immediately for the two-year Law degree beginning this July, or at any time for degrees beginning in January in the following subject areas:

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Ex-PC guilty of trying to run down wife

Rodney Kettle, a former policeman, was convicted at Manchester Crown Court yes terday of trying to run down his wife Ann, in a car.

He was remanded in custody for sentence on May 23, Judge Arthur Prest QC ordered that Kettle, who holds commen-dations for bravery, should undergo psychiatric tests.

perienced staff and lack of supervision at Scotland's main The judge said: It appears that when he was a member of tax office. Centre 1, in East the Royal Artillery he served in Those effected have also had Northern Ireland and there was loan interest removed from a tragic incident - but there is no reason to suggest he was to thousands of pounds worse off. blame - when either a sniper or-The Inland Revenue accepts a young child was shot by a gun

Kettle had represented himself, falsely, to be a member of Warrington, had been found the SAS, suffered from night guilty of attempting to cause mares, attempted to take his grievous bodily harm to his own life, and the judge said a wife, a former beauty queen, report on him concluded that he last August. Glasgow's marathon on September 11 is expected to attract its limit of 12,500 numers. lived in a fantasy world.



Rodney Kettle: "mad with passion"

Kettle, of St John's Avenue,

A police alert went out yesterday after thieves broke into a Sheffield chemist's shop and stole enough cyanide and arsenic to kill 150 people. They are considered so dangerous that chemists have to send unused powders to a special centre at Harlow in Essex to be

Kettle was inflamed with passion and jealousy when he drove a car at his wife on a public house car park after finding her with another man. She was saved from injury by Mr Alan Dawson, a labourer with whom she had had a drink. who shielded her with his body, but received a broken leg. Kettle and his wife, who is

22, had only lived together for

three months. Drugs alarm

The prosecution alleged that destroyed -

Two CND

By Nicholas Timmi The Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament is to send two

Mgr Bruce Kent, general secretary of CND, said: "We are

The decision to send observers, was taken by CND's 120-strong national council at the weekend by a four to three majority, Mgr Kent said.

a "public education" advertising campaign it plans to launch

A Ministry spokesman said:
"We are, of course, keen to
encourage informed public
debate about nuclear disarmataking a view on whether we would want to allow them to do Foot says Labour

is ready for

BY-ELECTION

A move by Plaid Cymru, the Welsh nationalist party, to force the Government immediately to issue the writ for a by-election in Cardiff, News West North-West, held by the late Mr Michael Roberts, Under Secretary of State for Wales, was rejected by

Mr Daffyd Wigley (Caernarvon, Pi Cymru) moved that the speaker "do issue his warrant" for the holding of the by-election and Mr John Biffen, Leader of the House, successfully moved an amendment, carried by a majority of 24, that this should be done on May 10. after the local government elections. According to Mr Wigley, this meant the byelection could be as late as Thursday, June 9.

Mr Wigley said that after the death of Mr Roberts on February 10 the people needed to be represented in Parliament at a time when such important legislation such as the Finance Bill, the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill and the Data Protection Bill were going through

Secondly, with escalating unemployment, controversy about a nuclear bomb factory in the constituency and a threat to the health service, which was a major employer in Cardiff, North-West, there were many constituency issues urgently. A by-election gave an opportunity for this in a way that had the eye of the media and the

Thirdly, the four parties had been geared for such an election since March. The candidates had long aspects of their campaigns. May 5 had once been such a hot favourite for such an election that

nform the Press Gallery that there would not be a by-election then. Deliberately or accidentally (he

continued) the electors and parties have been led a merry dance by the Government's shilly shallying on this election and it is time for the uncertainty to be stopped. He would doubtless be accused of

breaking the convention that the party holding the seat should decide the by-election date. But this was a convention and not an immutable rule. The convention was for the guidance of wise men and the The Government did not wish to have this by-election at all, if there was to be a general election, in case

the vibrations from Cardiff rocked the Tory election gunboat off its If there is to be a general election

(he said) let the Government come result in Cardiff. It feared more having to debate issues such as unemployment the devastating cuts

in steel and other industries. Neithe did the Government want the Falklands factor rebounding on it in such a by-election as electors started questioning the wisdom or folly of that conflict in which so many Servicemen, including so many

The Government hoped the byelection could be subsumed within a

Weishmen died

ment on this by-election (he said) is a touchstone of their vulnerability in a general election when it eventually takes place.

Mr Biffen said that although there were no fixed rules, there were conventions and generally accepted The main conclusion of the Speaker's conference on electoral law held in 1973 set out in a letter

stop this practice once and for all?



Wigley: Electors being led a merry dance.

on November 26 by the late Mr Speaker Lloyd to the then Prime Minister, was that the motion for a by-election writ should normally be moved within three months of a vacancy arising. In this case that period would not lapse for three Furthermore, it was concluded

that it was unnacceptable for a by-election to be held at the time of local elections in April or May and this was relevant in this case Finally, there was the convention that the party whose member formerly occupied the seat should from the previous Labour govern-ment (be said) than the one she left to us as a member of the Heath

have priority in choosing the date of

the by-election. He regretted Mr Wigley had disregarded customary practice. On this occasion the Government was within the conventional practices He moved an amendment to provide that the Speaker could issue the writ for the by-election on

Tuesday, May 10.

Mr John Silkin. Opposition spokesman on House of Commons spokesman on House of Commons affairs, supporting the amendment, said be had sympathy with much of what Mr Wigley had had to say, but while there might be a case for changing the rules and conventions the proper place for changing it was through a Speaker's conference.

Mr Wigley said a move for a writ on May 10 would be on the last possible day within the three-month convention and would mean the byelection could be as late as Thursday, June 9.

was carried by 306 votes to 60 - Government majority 246, and the

general election

Mr Foot: If Mrs Thatcher is now

going to join the Chancellor in favour of a cut and run election it

will make excellent news throughout

the country because we are happy to

have it. (Loud and prolonged

her whether she is going for an election now or even if she does not,

but decides to stick it out and face

Mrs Thatcher: Our performance on

and our performance on the upper

that the figures given by her to the country on inflation were false?

Mirs Thatcher: I do not recollect giving any specific figures at the weekend. Will Mr Foot quote them? I did not give any specific figures at the weekend on inflation. Inflation

is lower than for some 12 to 13 years and that happened under this

attention to the restrictions on competition, particularly in relation

to publicity which the Director General had identified as an aspect

Publicity by opticians

for publicity by opticians is being had identified.
undertaken with a view to saying Dr Vanghan said that he was giving

He said that he welcomed this of opticians' trading practices, and first step towards lessening restriction which the had received many tions on competition which the representations from consumers.

I just want if I can to extract from

Prolonged Conservative laughter greeted Mr Mickael Foot's assertion during Prime Minister's questions that Labour was happy to have a eneral election at any time.

PM's QUESTIQNS

During the exchanges, Mrs Thatcher accused a laughing Mr. Denis Healey, deputy leader of the Opposition, of being frightened of an election. She appeared to be replying to an interjection by Mr Healey inaudible to those not on the

whether she had been correctly reported at the weekend when she claimed that she would be the first Prime Minister to go to the country with a lower inflation rate than she She inherited a lower inflation

Mr Foot, asked Mrs Thatcher

Mrs Thatcher: Assuming that the forecasts on inflation are reasonable and even if it went up a bit in the coming months - (Interruptions and protests) - even if price increases went up a little ... (Lond Labour interruptions and protests).

Mr Healey is afraid of an election; and that he is frightened. Our record of 13 Government.

proposals for changes of the rules before the General Optical Council

on June 23, Dr Gerard Vanghan, Minister for Consumer Affairs, said

Coldest wind blows across fens

LINEMPLOYMENT

East Anglis had long been neglected, Mr Kenneth Weetch, Opposition spokesman, said in opening a Commons debate on the effects of Government policies on the region. He moved a motion condemning

the Government for pursuing policies that had had a disastrous effect on East Anglia's economic and social fabric, bringing about increased unemployment, weakened industry, deteriorating transport services and rural decline, noting that as a result of Government and EEC support farmers had bit the jackpot but this had not been shared by agricultural workers, and calling upon the Government to abandon policies that did such damage to the

give the true figures to the country and admoviedge that she inherited a much lower inflation figure than the one she left when she was a member of Mr Heath's Govern-Mr Weetch (Ipswich, Lab) said that at times one of the coldest winds in Britain was that that blew across the firm. East Anglia (he went ment? I know that she does not like to defend anything she did in that level is not nearly as bad as his worst. He cannot get away from that.

industrious, responsible and not given to demonstrations of belligerence or shows of indignation in public places. Industrial relations were among the best in Britain. It is, all told, an area (he said) of industry and responsibility. Un-fortunately they are beginning to learn the oldest lesson of all – that the meek do not inherit the earth.

They inherit the rough end of the

nocessful agricultures industry. Britain's agricultural success was

On transport, it was nonsense to

suggest that the decline in bus services in rural areas had happened since 1979. But there must be a limit to which ratepayers and taxpayers could keep on footing the bill. The answer would lie increasingly in the more flexible and lower cost services of small private operators, in community bus services and car sharing Substantial improvements were taking place in the main trunk

on) has been left to fight the teeth of the economic wind almost entirely on its own, and the injustice of that needs to be remedied.

The people of East Anglia were

Mr John MacGregor, Under Secretary of State for Industry (South Norfolk, C) moved a Government amendment to make the motion read: "That this House recognizes that the prosperity of East Anglia depends on continued appears in the Government's success in the Government's in the Government's upon which many Government measurers are concentrated, and on the further development of its highly productive agriculture within the common agricultural policy: and notes that in every respect the: Labour Party's present policies would have a disastrous effect upon. the region's considerable potential."

Fig. said firms and the people enclited from growth and success f agriculture, and that was the way to deal with the problems of rural areas. The Opposition motion was one of effrontery. Farming income fell sharply in real terms in the late seventies. It was only starting to revive this year, Agricultural workers' earnings had moved steadily upwards since 1977, but this would not continue without a

a major national success and he only hoped other industries had

welcomed and not resisted.

All Labour's policies would harm
East Anglia. They would suck
egriculture dry through higher rates
and taxes. This could only mean
higher food prices fo those Labour
professed to help. Labour would end
derating of agricultural land,
introduct a wealth tax and withdraw
from the FEC. No wonder Labour's from the EEC. No wonder Labour's document New Hope for Britain had been dubbed "No hope for Britain."



MacGregor: East Anglia has done best.

The health service in East Anglia had received the highest rate of revenue growth of any region in the country in 1982-83 and 1983-84.

On employment, industry and commerce, in East Anglia in March 1979 there were 685,000 people in work. The latest figure was 666,000, a decline of less than 3 per cent in the most fierce world-wide recession. the most fierce world-wide recession for decades. This showed how well East Anglia had weathered the storm. It had done better than any

storm. It had done better than any other region.

The East Anglian economy depended crucially on small businesses and the self-employed. The Government had concentrated a battery of changes to improve the position of the self-employed. Small businesses were beginning to employ many more people and achieving assounding success in export markets. There was not a word about the self-employed and word about the self-employed and these small businesses in Labour

Labour's plans for new spending would impose heavy new burdens on businesses throughout East Anglia, and would have an impact on employment. To finance their schemes, successive Labour Governments had put taxes on jobs which Conservative Governments had had to remove: To repeal the legislation would lead Britain had to the winter of discontent which to the winter or unconstant which caused such agony in East Anglia. Regional policy should be concentrated on areas of greates need. East Angles was ideally placed to benefit from membership of the

EEC. Recovery was under way, and Britain was well under way is it was not based on heavy Government borrowing or artificial reflation, but on solid proper achieving competitiveness, getting the climate right for enterprise, and concentrating the role of Government where it should be concentrating

He did not want to see the father and prosperity of East Anglia and the success it was having destroyed by the kind of policies put forward Labour's plan Mr Clement Frend (Isle of Ely, L

said the pig, poultry and glasshouse industries were in trouble. A far-sighted transport policy was vital in sighted transport poucy was vius to the creation of jobs and prosperity. The Prime Minister had often said hers was the party of the family, it was not difficult to be the party of the family when people were by public transport and there nowhere to go but the family. Mr Keith Stainton (Sodbury and Woodbridge, C) said East Angle was most anxiously awaiting electrification of the East Cost

main line. There were genuing grounds for complaint about the quality of BR rolling stock, which seemed to have been pained off on East Anglia, having seen better day Mr John Garrett (Norwich, South

Lab) said too much Government money had been used to destroy the landscape. East Anglia was fast becoming a grain prairie mostly paid for by the Government and the EEC. The damage to the environment was an international scandal Sir Paul Hawkins (South-West

Sir Paul Hawkins (South-West Norfolk, C) said Norfolk, the most important part of East Angia, had many things going for it good land, a lovely coastline, forest, sky, and above all fine intent and women. They asked the Government for greater innderstanding of their problems; particularly the cost of servicing such a widely scanered community. He asked for a first look at the way the rate support grant was calculated in the hope that Norfolk next time would get a faire share.

Miss Oomagh McDonald (Thurrock, Lab) said she shared the objections to the railway rolling stock and the starvation of capital had deteriorated over the past four years. At the same time the cost of travelling on the Fenchurch Street line had risen remarkably.

rejected by 270 votes to 207 - Government majority, 63. The Government ammo

Checking up on students as doctors

HEALTH SERVICE

Final year medical students are allowed to cover restricted duties when their seniors are on leave but any allegations that the proper arrangements are not being followed would be investigated. Mr Kenneth during question time in the Mr Christopher Price (Lewisham, West, Lab) had asked what reports

the Secretary of State had received about students initiating treatment on behalf of doctors in hospitals. Mr Clarke: Under long-standing arrangements agreed with the medical profession and the universities final year medical students may assist in hospitals when a house

officer is absent on leave.

I have received a very brief report ntatives of iunion hospital doctors outlining nine cases of alleged abuse of these arrange ments. In only one case is it alleged that a student initiated treatment.

I have asked the British Medical Association for further details. Mr Price: Is not this a scandalous situation? Has the minister received the letter I wrote to the Secretary of State on April 13 in which a very experienced state registered nurse in my constituencey alleges that it is common practice in Lewisham Hospital for the students to be given the bleeper of their houseman who is meant to be on duty and his final year students now may have responsibility for patients who in many cases are very ill indeed. What is he going to do when he receives the report of the BMA: is he going to

Mr Clarke: There are very clear arrangements under which to a limited extent final year medical students can take part in treatment. and we will take seriously any allegations that the arrangements are not being followed. At the moment all I have received from the unior doctors is a short account which does not give dates or names or identify any units. As soon as we have any actual cases identified we will follow them up and make sure that the arrangements are followed in every case.

Students under proper control have always taken care of patients and without this opportunity it would not be possible for them to gain

cannot be the case in the practice of medicine that someone can be turned overnight from a student into a qualified doctor.

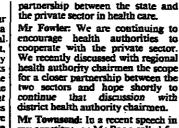
That is why final year students are allowed to take over some duties when their house officer is on leave

and no one has ever objected to that. If anyone can give us particulars of the arrangements not being followed we will take steps to

Further talks on a closer partnership

Official Labour Party pledges and the pledges of Mr Tony Benn (Bristol, South-East, Lab) on the health service were acts of vandalism, Mr Norman Fowler, Services, said during question time

Mr Cyril Townsend (Bexley Bexleyheath, C) had asked him if he



amended motion agreed to.

my constituency Mr Benn called for the requisition of private clinics. Mr Peter Viggers (Gosport, C) government of the day?



Short: Not partnership but

own money to insure in private

Would not such action totally destroy the fundamental partnership between private and public sectors. Is it not in the interests of medicine in the wider sense of the word and some 300,000 trade unionists that the private sector should flourish, encouraged by the Mr Fowler: The private sector adds

to total health care and it must be the right of any individual to use his



health insurances schemes. Both the Labour Party's official pledges and the pledges of Mr Benn are acts of vandalism where the health service had further plans to develop a Mrs Jill Knight (Birmingham,

Edgbaston, C): The existence of the private sector is of great benefit also to the ordinary NHS patients who would be infinitely further down the queue if a substantial number of people did not choose to use their own money, on which they pay tax, towards their own health care. As well as talking to the health authorities would be consider

talking to the Chancellor of the Exchequer about positive help to people who wish to employ their own money in insurance for health the Chancellor. She is right when she says that private health adds to the sum total of care. The Four insurance schemes include many

> Mrs Reuee Short (Wolverhampton, North-East, Lab): What is his view of the large private hospital, and one recently opened in London that care for obstetric and paediatric cases with a large number of beds, that take paediatricians from the NHS and not only paediatricians who are in short supply but specially trained nurses who are almost unobtainable

> Consultants in the NHS units are staff the beds they have. This is not partnership, but robbery. Mr Fowler: I am prepared to look at any individual cases like that, but the Government's policy is to encourage partnership between the

> private sector and the NHS. If she wants a good example of that partnership and the role the private parties and the root are invasing is suggest she goes to the Nuffield Hospital in Wolverhampton and sees the post-registration training being organized here by the private sector. Mr Terry Davis, an Opposition spokesman on the health service (Birmingham, Stechford, Lab): There is a fundamental flaw in the

private practice to which he is so committed. Doctors engage in it in

is their motive they have a financia

boasts between private practice and the NHS really means that the service must often repair the damage done by private doctors.

That is incidentally not only injustice to the patient but also a burden on the health service. Mr Fowler: The ability of consultauts to work inside the private sector has existed since the inception of the NHS and under successive Labour Governments.

The only alternative that he can put forward is the abolition of pay beds and the banning of all private sector medicine. The public will choose on that and choose against him.

Concessionary TV licences

Mr Allen McKay (Penistone, Lab) provide for concessionary

television was a necessity of life, providing entertainment, com-panionship, a sense of security, and keeping them informed of local and was unfair to the majority of pensioners and an equitable scheme was needed for everyone, irrespec tive of what type of dwelling they

olitan Council for exploiting Metropointan Council for exploiting a legal loophole to provide licences for a further 8,000 people by employing wardens to make four visits a year to pensioners so they would qualify for a concessionary The Bill was read a first time.

ENERGY BILL

privately owned nuclear power stations in the United Kingdom were unfounded in the light of the system of licensing and protection which existed to ensure sair huster power, the Earl of Avon, Under Secretary of Stare for Energy, told the House of Lords during the committee stage of the Energy Bill. He was resisting an amendment He was resisting an amendment, moved by Lord Tanks (L), to remove a clause requiring minis-terial consent for the building and

Lord Tanlaw said there were many doubts about private nuclear generation and concern that there would be cost cutting and cutting of safety if this development went ahead premanurely. The clause was unnecessary and the Government should consider removing it.

Lord Strabolgi, for the Opposition, said that nuclear energy was an unknown area in some respects and

Private nuclear stations possible

Fears about the prospect of The Earl of Avon said the clause introduced a new consent procedure for private nuclear stations and strengthened the existing requirement which allowed private nuclear stations whose putput was mi for the operator's own use to be established without such consent. Far from liberalizing private generators the Government was further safeguards. The Government was satisfied

that any private development would take place within a well established and highly efficient framework of regulatory control. If it accepted the operating of private nuclear power ent private nuclear stations could be established

Although there were at present no private nuclear stations in this country they existed in other countries. It was estimated that about half of the 270 nuclear power

did not lend itself to private owned and operated by the private enterprise. It was not something in sector. The Government believed the freedom of the private sector should be allowed to go ahead with nuclear as well as with conventional power

The amendment was withdrawn The Earl of Avon said he was that local authorities be regarded as private generators in relation to the

supply and sale of electricity. Lord Strabolgi said there was no justification for treating local nthorities as a second class sector. All suppliers, apart from electricity boards, should be on the same basis. The Earl of Landerdale (C) gave his support. The proposal, he said, was in line with the Government's philosophy on competition.

The Earl of Avon said the Government saw no reason why local authorities should be treated at private generators in terms of use of system. He was prepared to give the point further consideration but held

cannot be unhappy about yields

In the last 10 years yields of

all crops from the Walston's land have doubled, culminating

in last year's "fantastic" har-

vest. Sugar beet, for example, which had previously averaged

10 or 11 tonnes an acre, and in

some years as little as 6 or

tonnes, rose to an astonishing

there must come a time when

perhaps simply as a result of a

couple of seasons of ball weather. "If our yields came

down just from three tonnes to

Despite his openness about

farmers' present prosperity,

both he and his father recognize

the strength of their critics. Lord Walston feels that some of

the criticism is unfair. His son believes that farmer

are open to attack on three

remis that they are seen to be

Both men recognized that

and prices.

22 tonnes.

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Computer-aided breath tests

Self-check system aids police

Breath-testing devices to be motorist will be driven to the used in police stations next month as part of changes in the law on drinking and driving were officially introduced by the Home Office yesterday.

The new machines, controlled by microprocessors and incorporating an impressive self-checking system, are de-signed largely to replace blood and urine tests, and are expected to make the policeman's job easier, once they have undertaken the necessary train-

ing.
The Times was able to test one of the machines, the Lion Intoximeter 3000, which resembles a standard microcomputer, with keyboard, plus a bottle containing a measured solution of alcohol, through which the breath sample passes.

I first breathed into the machine at 5pm, three hours after lunch, which had included a half-bottle of wine. I gave two samples, the first showing 2 micorgrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of air, the second only one microgram. The legal limit is 35 micrograms, and such an insignificant result showed that the lunchtime alcohol had more or less worn

Bus at 6.05pm, 20 minutes after I had drunk the second of two double whiskies, my first breath sample showed that alcohol had already worked its way into the blood stream. registering 13 micrograms. A second sample taken immediately afterwards, showed 14 micrograms, and five minutes

later 16 micrograms. Police are instructed not to give a breath screening (hand-held breath test) of the kind now used to a motorist until at motorist has had a drink. If the milligrams per 100 millilitres of initial screening is positive, the blood.

nearest police station to give a sample into an "evidential breath testing machine' like the Lion Intoximeter 3000. The second test could not,

therefore, take place until at least half an hour, and probably nearer one hour, had elapsed since alcohol was consumed. My own test, after the two double whiskies, had not whiskies, had not

registered on the breath screening machine, and would pro-bably not have reached the legal limit of 35 micrograms. But police and Home Office officials emphasize that the results depend on the weight of the subject, and the amount of food in the system, as well as the consumed. I weigh alcohol about 121/4 stone.

Blood or urine samples may only be taken if the motorist's breath sample is between 35 and 50 micrograms. Above that level, the evidence is regarded as incontrovertible. Only exceptional health reasons, such as a bronchial attack, can permit a motorist to refuse an evidential

The new machines were introduced after extensive trials in the wake of the 1976 Blennerhassett report on drinking and driving. They will be in use from May 6.

will be used largely in the South of England and Wales, the Camic Breath Analyser in Scotland and the North East. Only trained police officers may operate them, and police have been advised not to prosecute unless the lowest of the two samples taken is 40 micrograms or more. At 35 micrograms of alcohol to 100 millilitres of air, the legal limit remains the same least 20 minutes after the as the previous measure of 80



The Lion Intoximeter 3000 Rupert Morris using one of the new breath-testing machines, which are controlled by microprocessors.

Support pledge to Channel 4

The Independent Television companies reassert their sup-Companies Association yesterday denied that it was about to ask the Independent Broadcasting Authority to close Channel 4 until the costly dispute involving fees paid to actors for advertisments is resolved. It said: "This story is completely

port for Channel 4."

The independent television companies have paid about £130m this year to finance Channel 4 and in return they collect advertising revenue, years in relation to population, However, the six-month dispute recorded crime had risen 200 without foundations. The ITCA has badly affected their income. per cent over a similar period.

for crime considered By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent

New cures

Experiments in compensation paid by criminals and conciliation between them and their victims are being sup-ported by Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, as part of a switch in criminal justice Mr David Faulkner, a senior

Home Office official responsible for crime policy planning, said in a lecture to the Howard League for Penal Reform last night that a lead was being given by the department to new ways of dealing with crime and reducing mounting pressure on the forces of law and order. A joint study by the Home Office and chief constables is being made to produce more effective and consistent caucioning practices among police forces. The use of civil instead of criminal action for some offences and greater use of fixed penalties is being considered.

Failure to pay television licences, for example, could result in a fixed penalty instead of criminal proceedings. That would greatly reduce pressure on courts. In 1981-82 there were 70,000 convictions for nonpayment of television licences A surcharge might be made for non-payment of value added tax instead of prosecution. New ways of dealing with social

Mr Faulkner said there was a general impression that the forces of law and order were under great pressure, even fighting a losing battle.

security frauds are also being

There had been a three-fold increase, allowing for inflation, in overall expenditure on law and order over the past twenty

Farming in Britain: 3

Good cheer from a 'grain baron'

person as a poor farmer in Britain is absurd. But equally there are many who enjoy a wealthy and privileged exist-ence, only a handful of whom are prepared to admit it. John Young, Agriculture Correspondent, talks to a father and son who exude satisfaction and Mr Oliver Walston is a "grain

baron" and makes no secret of

his prosperity. He farms 3,000 acres of high quality land in Cambridgeshire and, as a broadcaster on Anglia Television and a contributor to farming magazines, he delights in infuriating his fellow farmers by telling them how rich they are and how grateful they should be. His one regret is having got

rid of his sheep three years ago.
"Everyone else was doing the same", he points out. Since then the introduction of a new subsidy system has transformed sheep farming into what, a trifle exaggeratedly, he terms a licence to print money. "But basically on a farm like this it is all good news. It has been good news for the last decade. My neighbours hate me

for saying so, and wish I would keep my head down. They have been brought up to think it is OK to moan about how badly off you are, but extremely bad form to say how well off you are. That is typically British." He attributes his good for-tune almost entirely to Britain's membership of the EEC. He gives as an example the Farm and Horticulture Development Scheme, introduced by the European Commission with the object of raising agricultural wages to the general level of

"The thinking behind it was

those in manufacturing indus-



that the only way was to make farmers more efficient, so that they would end up employing fewer workers but paying them more. So about six years ago the ministry invited us to come up with some proposals for im-down just from the would be in proving our efficiency.

"As a result we were able in Trouble", Mr Walston points As a result we were able to get financial help to buy all sorts

of things that we would have

bought anyway. For instance,

when we bought a £25,000 lorry, we got a £2,500 grant from Brussels. It was bananas.

Why pay rich farmers to do something they would have done of their own accord? "Then the whole business of the common agricultural policy has been wonderful", he enthuses. "Farmers in Britain should stop paying their subscriptions to the National Farmers' Union and pay them instead to the French farmers union, because they are the ones who get us

these high prices."

His father, Lord Walston, who joined us in the farm office, takes a more considered and somewhat less exuberant view. A former Labour junior minister and a recent convert to the Social Democrats, he has largely abandoned farming to devote his time to politics. "Are there any unhappy farmers in this part of the of the world?", he muses. "Well, a farmer may be unhappy for

personal reasons, because his

living at the parpayers program that they are damagned that they are damagned that a characteristic may are enjoyed access to the counterside which access to the countryside which is denied to the public at large. Signs everywhere proclaim, unusually, that wisiture are welcome, provided they obe. certain rules. They should stick to footpaths, keep dogs under control and not leave gates

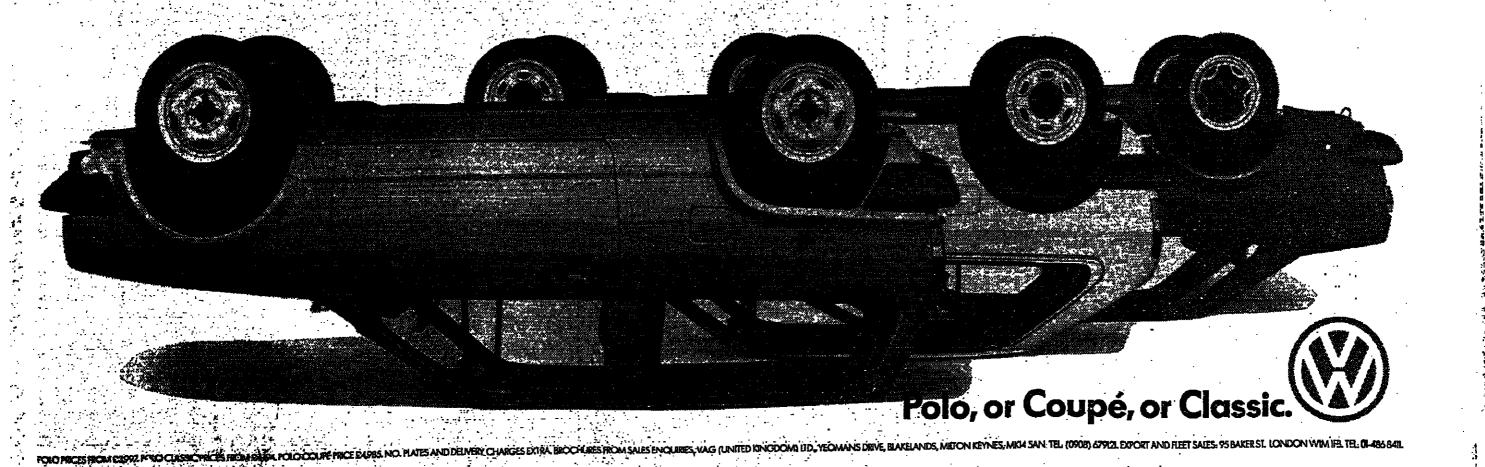
have brought a lot of criticism down on themselves. They tend to judge everything by what is good for the farm. If the choose to live in splendid isolation, they cannot be sufprised if suddenly the footpath campaigners and the animal welfare placards appear on their

Lord Walston says: "Farmers



Polo. If sa fough choice.

Faced with its record of durability, reliability and safety; the choice between other small cars and the Volkswagen Polo is easy. Faced with the alternatives of a square-backed Polo, the Classic with a boot, or the new Coupé, choosing between Polos is much tougher.



From Michael Binyon, Bonn

One such opponent, Herr

Franz Josef Strauss, Prime

Minister of Bavaria, called it a

"case of murder" and said

evidence pointed to serious

bers of his Christian Social

measured reaction politically

on Monday, saying Herr Bur-kert, a 45-year-old publican,

a chair and hit his head

Government was at pains closer relations between the two vesterday not to exacerbate the countries. sharp deterioration in relations with East Germany which has resulted from the death of a West German traveller to Berlin during questioning by East

German border guards.

Dr Kohl's firm stand in demanding an explanation from are the interrogation methods of Herr Erich Honecker, the East Barbie," he said. Other mem-Herr Erich Honecker, the East German leader, has been widely praised, but a government Union have questioned the spokesman denied that the proposed Honecker visit. Most incident - the most serious papers, however, have sharply since Dr Kohl came to office - criticized Herr Strauss's stand, had led to preparations for Herr suggesting that Dr Kohl's more Honecker's visit here being put

The Chancellor telephoned Herr Honecker on Monday and a long account of the incident told him that an autopsy not appear to be the only reason for the death of Herr Rudolf Burkert, who died during a two-hour interrogation on the crossing point with West Berlin on April 10.

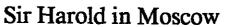
The East German leader immediately promised a full investigation – a reaction that surprised observers here and is being taken as a sign that East Germany is embarrassed and blame attached to the border states, which last year showed a anxious not to let the incident guards. All efforts would be rise of 13 per cent over 1981.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl's be exploited by opponents of made to clear up the affair, overnment was at pains closer relations between the two which should not be allowed to upset bilateral relations.

Herr Otto Brautigam, head of West German mision East Berlin, has asked for clarification of what is seen as the most serious such incident since the transit agreement was signed 12 years ago. Meanwhile it has been

by the border guards. "These revealed that an East German journalist accompaning Herr Gunter Mittag, a senior mem-ber of the East German Politburo now on a visit here, has been arrested in Hanovei on charges of spying. The order was issued in Berlin in 1980, and officials emphasized that ser. East German television gave the man's arrest last Friday was not connected with Herr Mit-tag's visit. He has been flown to West Berlin to appear in court. West German officials de scribed him as a small fish in the espionage business.

Dr Kohl refused to meet Herr Mittag on Monday, but he has had extensive talks with other political leaders. Otto Graf Lambsdorff, the Economic The East German official news agency said yesterday Herr Honecker had told Dr Kohl it was a regettable incident, but no Minister expressed satisfaction after a meeting at the growth of trade between the two German



Wilson 'Trots' baffle Russians

member of the Politburo.

Addressing Russian journalists
- who included Mr Igor Titov,
the New Times correspondent

Sir Harold Wilson returned to the international stage in Moscow yesterday to calm the troubled state of Anglo-Soviet relations and baffle the Rus-Referring to the recent spate of expulsions and retaliations, Sir Harold said. "It is regrettable that these things happen from sians with a series of deeply felt attacks on "Trots". time to time, but each side He said the recent deterioknows what the other is up to."

ration in Anglo-Soviet relations after tit-for-lat expulsions was regrettable, and he hoped they woud not affect the broad sweep of relations between the two

Sir Hrold was speaking to British and Soviet journalists after a visit to Moscow and Tashkent on behalf of the Great Britan-USSR Society, of which he is president. He said Mr Francis Pym. the Foreign Secretary, had approved the visit, and had supported it with great enthusiasm. great enthusiasm.

The society, a non-political body supported by all parlia-mentary parties, had several times offered to send a senior delegation to the Soviet Union in recent years. It had been prevented from doing so by a series of upsets in East-West relations, including Poland and Afghanistan, Sir Harold said.

Union. It was all the more them back". He said he thought be in a better mood. important, however, to main- Trotsky must be "revolving in

Cleric tells

of beatings

and torture

By Clifford Longley Religious Affairs Correspondent

The Methodist minister

who jumped bail in South Africa, and fled to Britain, said yesterday that he had thereby saved several friends

of his from prison.

The Rev Cedric Mayson,
who is 55 and British-born,
was explaining in London his
change of mind about standing

trial on charges under the Treason Act, on which he was

Several people, including Dr

Beyers Naudé, former director of the banned Christian

Institute, had been interviewed

recently by the police seeking further evidence against him.

but on past experience it was

likely the prosecution would sub poens them and they would be liable to be jailed for

contempt for refusing to

Since he was first arrested

in November, 1981, the situation in South Africa had deteriorated, with the security

forces now operating beyond the control of the courts, he said. While he happened to be speaking to his wife Penelope

on the telephone after reaching Britain, his house was attacked by a white gang who damaged his car and caravan and shouted abuse. He hoped his family could leave South

Africa to join him as soon as

They refused to cooperate.

expecting to be acquitted.

tain cultural and other links at a his grave", at the misuse being time of East-West tensions. made of his name.

He was speaking at the exclusive, well-guarded Soviet Government guest house just off the broad sweep of Aleksei Kosygin Avenue, on the Lenin Hills, in which he has often stayed on previous visits Sir Harold, who has been visiting Russia since 1947 and In an interview with The

has known a series of Soviet Times, Sir Harold said that he leaders personally, was ac-companied by Sir Fitzroy Maclean, who founded the GBhad decided not to stand at the next general election, and that a new candidate had already been USSR Society in 1959, and Mr selected to fight his Yorkshire John Roberts, the society's director. They had talks with Mr Mikhail Solomontsev. constituency for Labour. It is understood that disillusion over Mr Mikhail Solomontsev, prime minister of the Russian the rise of what he persistently refers to as "Trots" in local constituency parties - including his own - is behind his decision Federation and a candidate Sir Harold Wilson said the not to enter the Commons British Labour Party was in serious difficulties, and that

again.

Asked if he hoped to enter 'many of our local parties" had the House of Lords, Sir Harold been infiltrated by Trotskyists. said he had no intention of leaving politics altogether, "al-though I would rather be in the Commons". He remarked that weeks ago – Sir Harold Wilson remarked: "You of course know all about Trotskyists from your life peerage.

Sir Harold forecast a September election, on

There were still "hiccups" there are many around now. We tember or October election, on and "obvious disagreements" can do without them, and as far the grounds that after the there are many around now. We tember or October election, on



From Our Own Correspondent

Mr Edward Chick, a 27-yearold Briton, was expelled from the Soviet Union on Monday for "spreading hostile materials on the instructions of an anti-Soviet émigré organization," Tass reported yesterday.

esort of Netanya.

pressed their condolences over

Monday's massive bomb ex-

envoys, emphasized that the attack had only made all sides

"all the more determined" to press ahead with the talks.

Mr Draper, whose wife was slightly wounded in the Beirut blast, told reporters that the

parties were determined to

move ahead "as rapidly as

possible" with the talks which

have made painfully slow progress since they opened last

Mr David Kimche, the leader

of the Israeli delegation, said: "I

think we are all determined to

carry on as before, but it does

prove that there is still a danger

of terrorism in Lebanon - that

is what we have been saying all

along."
The main sticking point

remains differences between

Israel and Lebanon over the

future role of Major Saad

this summer seems likely to be cancelled, despite the unani-mous decision yesterday by the

rugby federation's management

committee that the tour should

go ahead. The committee is

seeking a meeting with Presi-

dent Metterrand and is expected

to submit to his views on the

Edwige Avice, the new Sport Minister, wrote to national

sports organization, asking them to ban all amateur contacts with South Africa as

part of the Government's campaign against apartheid.

The golf federation immediately called off a proposed trip by five of its woman players, who were to have taken part in

last week's South African amateur golf championships. But the rugby federation made

it clear that it planned to contest

At an emergency meeting yesterday, the 34 members of

the management committee

threatened to resign en masse in

protest against the proposed ban, but then decided instead to

issue a statement reaffirming

their intention to go ahead with

the Government's decision.

Earlier this month, Mme

French likely to cancel

South Africa rugby tour

The French rugby team's Professionals are not to be proposed tour of South Africa subject to any restrictions on

December.

Tass said that Mr Chick, who had come to the Soviet Union as a tourist, was caught "red handed" in Leningrad on Friday "trying to hand over smuggled seditious materials and instructions". He was put on a London-bound aircraft at Pulkovo airoort, near Lenin-

A British Embassy spokes-man said the embassy had been informed of the case by the Soviet authorities but could not comment on Mr Chick's deten-tion and expulsion. The Soviet action did not seem to be linked to "tit-for-tat" moves by Britain and Russia.

An unusual aspect of the case was that Mr Chick appeared on television in Leningrad to express his "profound regret" at having "unwittingly helped the forces opposed to peace".



Meeting the press: Mr Mayson (left) and Canon Paul Oestreicher, international secretary of the British Council of Churches, Photograph: Harry Kerr.

of the facts alleged in the charges against him, but not the crucial allegation that he was thereby seeking to further the aims of the African National Congress, a treasonable offence. He had helped people leave the country illegally, and he had literature in his possession he should not have had.

After his arrest he had made a confession, which the trial judge later ruled was inadmissible evidence.

"I was stripped naked and I

was handcuffed with my hands behind my back", he said. "It was a very difficult experience. Then I was kept awake for several days and nights, with no sleep.

A notorious interrogator, A honorous interrogator, known as "Spyker" had pushed him to the floor, imped on him and pulled his head backwards and forwards. "It was very intimidating, and also rather painful."

Had he stayed in South

Africa, even afer an acquittal, he expected to be banned, put

under house arrest and possibly in due course, killed. He escaped by crossing the shallow Caledon River, the border with Lesotho, after a friend had driven him there. Other friends arranged transport for him to Mazambique, and then to London.

Mr Mayson said he had not been involved in any way with violent activity against the Government, and had orig-imally wanted to stand trial "to defend the Christian witness of peace, harmony and justice".

No sign of Israelis softening terms for troop withdrawal

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem

In a gesture of defiance Haddad, the south Lebanese against the extremists who militia commander whom the devastated the American Emissaelis insist be given a militia commander whom the bassy in Beirut, the thirty-first prominent military position in the south after its troops leave. The Lebanese have so far firmly round of the tripartite talks aimed at securing the with-drawal of all foreign forces from resisted such a demand. Lebanon opened precisely on schedule yesterday in the Israeli There was also little sign last

night that Israel is prepared to soften its position over the proposed security arrangements for the buffer zone which will Before the serious negotiating-began, the delegates from Israel, Lebanon and America exextend about 30 miles north of its border. plosion. The leader of the American team, Mr Morris Draper, one of President Rea-gan's special Middle East

Briefing the weekly meeting of the Cabinet, both Mr Moshe Arens, the Defence Minister, and Mr Ytizhak Shamir, the Foreign Minister, told their colleagues that the attack justified Israel's security de-

Mr Arens reported on his meeting last week with Major Haddad and said that Israel was now considering ways of further strengthening the south Lehanese militia which it already supports with cash, training and weapons. A request by the major for increased arms supplies is under consideration

Mr Shamir told Israel's army radio network: "We all regret the loss of human lives. This is very regrettable, even shocking, but in Lebanon nothing is surprising I think the lesson is simple and understood. The security problems in Lebanon are still most serious, and terrorist organizations continue to operate there, at times with

their sporting contacts with South Africa because, Mme

Avice said, they took part in an individual capacity, and not as representatives of France, and

because the Government be-

lieved it would be wrong to interfere with their right to

M Alvert Ferrasse, president

of the rugby federation, said it was now going to seek a meeting with M Mitterrand. "If he

with M Mitterrand. "If he agrees to see us, we will explain to him our point of view. "If he tells us not to go, we will not go. We are disciplined people. We have nothing to gain by declaring war (against the Government). But we do not consider that the explanations that the Minister for Sports, Mine Edwige Avice, gave us on

Mme Edwige Avice, gave us on

Monday, are sufficient.
We do not understand that

there should be one rule for

professionals ans another for

hope. It would not be the first time that a minister was overruled by his or her presi-

mateurs. I feel ther is still some

M Max Gallo, the Govern-

ment spokesman, denied that the Government was "sacrific-

ing sport to an ideology".

To: Air Commodore D. F. Rixson, OBE, DFC, APC, Director of Appeals, The Royal Hospital and Home for Incurables,

Please send me the RHH is leaflet on making covenants or bequests.

Dept DTJ, West Hill, Putney,

Yes, I would like to help (Please tick) l enclose a donation to the RHHI. Diplomatic observers believe that one result of the attack will be to encourage the American negotiators to prod the Israeli and Lebanese Governments into an agreement, which some Israeli sources have recently indicated could now be only a matter of weeks away.

Walesa

held

for third

time

in week

Mr Lech Walesa, the former Solidarity leader, was

authorities yesterday for the

disappearance of several million zioties from the union

former bastion of support for

The pressure has been mounting on Mr Walesa who

is now the subject of three

about his meeting with underground leaders, about

his managing of the Solidarity finances and his

The interrogation yesterday

hours – apppeared to be aimed at finding out what

happened to more than 10m

zioties (£75,400) deposited in Solidarity's account in Wroclaw. The money was

- completed in two and a half

personal finances.

separate investigations:

third time in a week, this

interrogated by Polish

time about the alleged

account in Wroclaw, a

the underground, Roger

Boyes writes.

At the same time, the observers point out there has been on indication yet that either Syriz or the 7,000 assorted Palestinian guerrillas still based inside Lebanon, will be prepared to go along with any agreement reached with American assistance.

Israel has repeatedly made clear that there is no chance of its 30,000 troops pulling out without a simultaneous with-drawal of the Syrians and a prior departure of all the

WASHINGTON: The WASHINGTON: 1 ne death toll at the Beirut Embassy has stunned Americans, but so far has produced few demands for the recall of American that toppled President Syngman las Ashford writes.

One of the few congressmen to make such a call was Senator Barry Goldwater, the Arizona Republican and Chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, who declared: "I think we are heading for trouble. If there's one more Marine killed I don't know what we would do

McCartney

loses suit

on paternity

From Our Own Correspondent

A West Berlin family court has ordered Mr Paul McCart-

has ordered Mr Paul McCart-ney, the former Beatle, to pay a monthly sum of 705 deut-schmarks (£150) to a 20-year-old Berlin woman who says she is his illegitimate daughter. The order has been made to Bettina Häbers, whose mother Fribe says she had a relation

Bettina risbers, whose mother Erika says she had a relationship with Mr McCartney while he was playing in Hamburg in the early 1960s before the Beatles became famous.

The court order, delivered and the court order, delivered and the court order.

judge is to rule at the end of this month whether Mr McCartney should have a

blood test under the court's

Mr McCartney has denied being the father of Betting-who bears striking resemblance to him-and testimony to this

effect was placed before the

court by his Hamburg lawyer,

who was not present when the

LONDON: Mr McCartney, who is filming in England at the moment, says he has no recollection of meeting the girl's mother. He is consulting with his West Carmen have

with his West German lawyer as to whether he should pay the money pending the indge's ruling at the end of the month.

judgment was handed down.

withdrawn days before the declaration of martial law. where he thought he was going to when he was taken off the train by the Austrians. Rome clears its mayor

Rome (Reuter) - Romes communist mayor and two party colleagues were cleared of rongdoing by a Rome magistrate investigating the alleged embezzlement of public funds. Lawyers for the three men said they were satisfied with the verdicts but demanded more open, democratic conduct by the Rome Prosecutor's office which brought the charges.

Papusoiu

ordered

to leave

Austria

young Romanian whose depor-ation from Britain last mouth led to widespread protests, has now been ordered out of Austria

Our Vienna Correspondent

An official of the Austrian

An omena of the resonal Interior Ministry said yesterday that Mr Papuson was free to go wherever he wanted, but he would be expected to be out of

the country within a week.

However, the official said that Mr Papusoin was no longer being accused of having committed offences during a previous stay in Austria in 1980 and that he had therefore been released from the Vienna price.

released from the Vienna prison where he had been held

overnight.
Mr Papusoiu was transferred

to the prison from the refige

to the prison from the refuge camp just south of Vienna on Monday afternoon after he withdrew his request for political asylum in Austria. Why he did this is not exactly clear, he the Interior Ministry official said it was because he realized

he did not qualify for political

asylum under the terms of the

The whole affair is now

shrouded in an inpenetrable Balkan fog of confusion and mystery. It is not clear why Mr

Romania earlier this month or

Geneva Convention.

the country within a week

writes).

The mayor, Signor Upo Vetere, was cleared of improperly drawing a 2m line (about £1,000) advance, later repaid, for a security escont to last month's Communist Party congress in Milan. All three were cleared of claiming false travel expenses from the Rome

Police break up Korean protest

Seoul – Helmeted poling using tear gas and Jeeps broke up a demonstration by about 800 students protesting against the alleged lack of democracy in South Korea on the anniversary of the 1960 student uprising the about the standard processor. As the chanting students ome calling President Chun Doo Hwan a fascist, linked arms on the campus of Youse University, plainclothers men plunged into the crowd, punch-

ing and kicking, to drag off the Uganda official found murdered

Kampala (Reuter) - The bullet-riddled body of Mr Rajab Lutzaya, an official of Uganda's opposition Democratic Party. was found by a roadside three days after he was taken from his home by men in police un-forms, the newspaper Munno

Relatives said that Mr Lutaaya was seized by men wearing the uniform of the police special forces. His death brings to 16 the toll in such incidents since Friday.

Aga Khan's gift

Dar es Saiaam (AFP) - The Aga Khan, whose Ismail community here has 15 million followers, has pledged to give Tanzania \$60m (about £40m) to help rehabilitate tourist hous and factories run by his Industrial Promotion Services.

yesterday, is temporary and backdated until September last Crowd Gred on year. It must be comfirmed by impartially administered blood tests to establish paternity. The

Delhi (Reuter)- Police opened fore to break up a stone throwing crowd yesterday in the Marxist-ruled state of Tripura in eastern India. Five people were wounded during the incident in the state capital of Agartala.

Bombs kill 3

Valencia (AFP) - A police licutenant was killed here a bomb placed under his car In a separate exploded. incident, two people were killed when a bomb went off, apparently inside their car.

Correction The Nationalist Party boycott of the Maltese Parliament, mentioned in a report on April 11, ended on March 29.

Attenborough tour off

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

Sir Richard Attenborough, which is showing the film here director of the award winning said Sir Richard's decision w film Gandhi, will not now be cancel the visit had been making a promotional tour of communicated to his company on Monday night on Monday night.

Ster-Kincor said that it segregated audiences at the end

Mr William Sharp, the manager of press relations for sources to which he had been Ster-Kinekor, the cinema chain subjected.

Ster-Kinecor said that it respected Sir Richard's decision because of the "extreme miter national pressures from various



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Nkomo ponders future in lonely exile as Zimbabwe celebrates

Officials of the Zimbabwe atmosphere that would result in especially after he had done week, without the man who had atmosphere."

most right to be there. Mr Joshua Nkomo, aged 65. Zimbabwe to use the problem sat instead in his rented flat, created by dissidents for other two miles away across Hyde purposes. Such as the im-Park, supposedly planning his plementation of one-party poli-Park, supposedly planning in return to the country he fied tics.

"The Government knows it

Assurances on his safety and cannot be done by persuasion on the restoration of the so it has to be done by force. In principles of reconciliation and order to deploy the Anny the rule of law on which certain acts must happen in Zimbabwe was founded, were certain areas and those acts his original conditions for going must be attributed to disadents.

Now he says he no longer that these so-called dissidents cares about the former and have concentrated their actions would seem to have grave against us, against the Zim-doubts about the latter. But babwe African People's Union speculation is nonetheless grow- (Zapu), he said, ing over the imminent return of One of his objectives while in

Mr Nkomo to tal, land he Britain has been to find other fought for.

Britain has been to find other ways of bringing pressure to He refused to give interviews bear on the Harare Governlast week before Zimbabwe's ment, since Mr Mugabe's independence day, pointing out rejection of the protest by that these at such a time were Zimbabwe's Roman Catholic the perogative of Mr Robert bishops. Mugabe, the Prime Minister

But he was quoted by sources. They need to be Newsweek as accusing Mr assured that their cause is being Mugabe of pursuing a policy of heard. By giving them such their cause is being the many many destruction. suppress opposition to one- the country can be eroded.

He said: "A referendum has cheated by the Harare Governgot to be conducted in an ment's

High Commission and their a free and fair decision by the guests celebrated the third people. The terrorism and his own Zapu supporters, often anniversary of independence at destruction that has gone on in against their better judgment, to a reception in London this Zimbabwe has not created that cooperate with their old Zapn There had been an attempt in

Mr Tiny Rowland, the Lonro chief who backed Mr Nkomo as an old friend on the latter's arrival in this country, is now said to have withdrawn his support Mr Nkomo must feel that the day is now approaching when he has to decide whether to return or resign himself to

lonely exile: Then it will be Mr Mugabe and his followers who will bave to decide whether to proceed against the grand old man of Central African mationalism or whether once more to bridge the political gap between them. Neither man can pretend for much longer that the problem will simply go away. . .

■ HARARE: Zimbahwe's main opposition party has again come under the threat of banning for allegedly supporting anti-government guerrillas operating in the Western province of Manabeleland, Stephen Taylor writes.

Mr Mugabe said that officials

of the Patriotic Front party had en directly aiding armed

He said, "If the trend towards subversion continues, I can assure my Government will not. hesitate to proscribe the party."



Security delegates deny reports of split

From Harry Debelius, Madrid

Chief delegates of West and non-aligned nations, consti-Germany and the United States tuted a valuable effort, although attempted here yesterday to dispel reports of a split in the Western position as the conference on security and cooper-ation in Europe reconvened after a brief spring recess.

needed in certain areas. He assured fellow delegates at Speaking on behalf of the 10 this 35-nation Helsinki Review conference that the Ten would be flexible and ready to use all Kastil the West German amavailable procedures appropriproposal for a final document, ate to bring about satisfactory submitted last month by neutral results.

Mr Max Kampelman, the US Ambassador, who according to unofficial reports was holding members did not think the proposal in its actual form was out for a tougher position on completely satisfactory and the proposed final document than were West Germany and other member countries of the further improvements were still Nato insisted at a meeting with journalists after the closed-door plenary session that he found very little difference among Western nations regarding the proposed document known as RM-39. Commons outraged

Canadian budget leaked on TV

Opposition spokesmen in the servative Opposition leader in the Canadian House of Com- the Commons, quickly demons yesterday demanded the manded Mr Lalonde's resigresignation of Mr Marc nation. He said the leak was so Lalonde, the Liberal Finance enormous that the finance cedented budget leak.

The Budget, Mr Lalonde's first since he was appointed last breach of such magnitude in September, was due to be Canadian history", Mr Nielsen presented in the Commons last said.

portunity" session in the minister's office on Monday, a resignation, saying that the television cameraman filmed credibility of the whole Budget television cameraman filmed several pages of the French text had been put in question.

of Mr Lalonde's speech. In the British tra They turned out to be key

parts of the budget presentation, and showed the Government projecting a \$Can 31,200m (£16,200m) deficit for the fiscal year 1983-84, compared with a deficit of between \$Can 23,000m and \$Can 27,000m for the year just ended.

The film clips also showed government plans to spend \$Can 4,600m for job creation for the coming year.

The photo-opporunity session is traditionally held to allow informal pictures of the finance minister in advance of his budget speech.

Mr Lalonde, in this case, made the occasion more re-alistic by actually skimming through parts of the budget as not realizing that at least one camera was picking up the fine

Mr Erik Nielson, the Con-

after an unpre-minister had no recourse but to

resign.
"There has never been a

At a pre-budget "photo-op- of the New Democratic Party, also demanded the minister

In the British tradition, budgets here are supposed to be kept entirely secret until their unveiling, as speculators could move to take advantage of advance knowledge of their

contents.

Mr Lalonde's office was still refusing yesterday morning to comment on the demands that he resign, but a spokesman for Mr Pierre Trudeau, the Prime Minister, said he did not expect Mr Lalonde to step down.

The leak was not without irony, in that Mr Lalonde had taken extraordinary precautions this year to ensure that he would not be scooped by the media on his own budget.

Normally, reporters are allowed to leave the locked room where they prepare stories on the budget in advance of its presentation, at 8pm, when the minister starts speaking. This year, they were being kept in until Mr Lalonde finishes.

seems safe for 4 years

Bangkok (Reuter) - General Prem Tinsulanonda seems assured of a further term as prime minister because none of the political parties achieved a clear majority in the general election

Even the Kukrit Pramoj, the leader of the Social Action Party which won the biggest number of seats, has said that General Prem should stay.

General Prem succeeded his one-time mentor, General Kriangsak Chomanan early in 1980, and has since survived an. abortive coup and crises moun-ted by infighting in the outgoing coalition Government. or for trying to emigrate illegally. Amnesty urged yester-day that they be released or be coalition Government.

A former army chief, General A former army chief, General There is no overall figure for Prem owes his unique position the number of those detained, to personal integrity and to last year Mr Nguyen Co Thach, Thailand's complex politics in the Vietnamese Foreign Miniswhich civilians and the military share equal administrative and legislative powers. He has carefully guarded his reputation and stands aloof from government and business affairs which could compromise it.

While he regularly attends ceremonies and public func-tions sponsored by the Thai roval family to show his loyalty, he avoids private parties and other social activities.

He was born on August 26, 1920, in the provincial capital of Songkhla in southern: Thailand into a middle-class-family and commissioned into the Army as a sub-lieutenant in 1941. He had his first taste of combat in a brief border war with the French forces in Indo-China shortly afterwards. Unlike most politically ambitious generals, he spent all 36 years of his career in the field.

As Prime Minister he has displayed little personal know-ledge of economic and administrative problems preferring to leave the day-to-day running of the administration to bureau-

Leading the ruling coalition as a compromise choice, General Prem has often deliberately. distanced himself from disputs and conflicts involving his two man's coalition partners - the Social Action and the Thai

Prem's job Thousands still held

People living there need to be

Mr Nkomo is said to feel

one-party policy,

Vietnam is still holding

were arrested after the commuhad been arrested since then for their religious or political beliefs

brought to trial quickly. ter, was quoted as saying that some 16,000 people were being held in reeducation camps.

at reports that large numbers of prisoners suffer from malaria, tnerculosis and diseases related prisoners in some camps relied

 Emigrants are leaving Vietnam at the rate of more than 1,000 a month under the ordely to Mr Paul Hartling, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. The programme began in 1979 and Mr Harding said that the number of boat people reported to be leaving Vietnam since then had

nam yesterday of being solely responsible for artillery exchanges along their common border and threatened further retaliation if Hanoi did not stop its "provocations", Reuter re-

The warning by Qi Huaiyuan, a Foreign Ministry spokesman, was China's stron gest since last weekend when the two commies began ex-changing artillery fire and accused each other of starting

in Vietnam By Richard Dowden

several thousand people in "reeducation camps" because of the positions they held in the previous South Vietnamese Government according to Amnesty International

The human rights organization said that some of those detained are former policemen, soldiers or administrators who nist takeover in 1975 and others

Nor are there details of conditions in the camps, but Amnesty said it was concerned to malnutrition. It was also concerned at reports that partly or wholly on food and medicine provided by their

Peking: China accused Viet-

Wettest winter for 50 years devastates Cuba

By Our Foreign Staff

rain and hurricane force winds have devastated homes, crops and communications in Cuba creating what the national news agency calls an "extremely grave situation".

It has been the wettest winter for 50 years according to the Cubans, who say that the effects of the unseasonal storms which have swept the country since January are worse than the devastation caused by hurricane Flora in 1963 which killed more than 1,000 people and left 100,000 homeless.

In the sugar industry, the country's main export extner, the situation is described 25 "truly critical" with a loss of more than a million tonnes. Unofficial sources put the loss at two million tonnes, nearly a quarter of the total crop.

Cuba also faces a very scrious foreign , debt. crisis, Creditor banks meeting in Paris yesterday failed to reach agreement day failed to reach agreement with the Central Bank of Cuba, on rescheduling some \$200m and exhorted the people to adout £133m) of short-term debt Cuba, whose foreign debt debt cuba, whose foreign debt amounts to about \$3,200m is neglocal working group headed trying to postpone repayment of the properties of the short \$1,200m. It is likely that Cuba will have to ask the Soviet

Three months of torrential Union for emergency assist ance.
The Cuban news agency said

last week that there had been 80 days of torrential rain, more than five times heavier than usual in some places for the time of year and winds of over 125 mph.

Although there have been few deaths and injuries, thousands of people have had to be evacuated from their homes and there has been severe flooding destroying roads bridges, factories and power

On March 16 a tornado hit Muriel near Havana and "crushed huge high voltage towers as if they were paper" the news agency said. It said the estimates for damage were still provisional, but the entire export crop of tobacco, three quarters of the tomato crop and a quarter of the potato crop had

been destroyed. The news agency emphasize that the economic and social

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Chernenko fails to attend Politburo meeting

From Richard Owen, Moscov

Chernenko to appear in a Karl Marx. Politburo line-up at a key meeting of the leadership has reinforced reports circulating in Moscow that factional struggles ances of "Brezhnevites" and struggles are struggles ances of "Brezhnevites" and struggles are struggles ances of "Brezhnevites" and struggles are struggles and struggles are struggles and struggles are struggles are struggles and struggles are continuing with in the other victims of Mr Andropov's

Mr Chenenko, who was discipline. President Brezhnev's protégé but lost the leadership battle to Mr Yuri Andropov last November, was not among senior Politburo members who attended a Central Committee meeting on agriculture on Monday addressed by Mr Andropov. A report of the meeting on the fornt page of Pravda yesterday listed all 11 other Politburo members.

Mr Chernenko is not known to have been in bad health, and always appears relatively fit, so that illness is being discounted as an explanation. Earlier this month "ill helath" was given as the reason for Mr Chernenko's unexpected absence from a

conference in east Berlin.

Mr Chernenko initially dropped from view after the party leadership contest nearly six months ago, but has recently reemerged into the limelight.

The failure of Mr Konstantin of Marrch commemorating

drive for greater efficiency and

party leaders at the Central Committee, Mr Andropov called for new management caused for new management techniques in agriculture. He praised the efficiency of Russia's small-scale private farming, and urged "agro-industrial" complexes to "support and stimulate useful initiatives". Mr Andropous said that in a number Andropov said that in a number of areas full use was not being made of "local resources for improving foodstuff supplies, and here I am speaking particularly about personal household plots".

Private peasant plots account for under 1 per cent of agricultural land in Russia, yet produce nearly a third of the total agricultural output, including fruit, vegetables and meat.

Acknowledgement of private reemerged into the limelight.
He chaired a Soviet block tive in the Soviet Union, meeting on ideology in Moscow in mid-March, and appeared on appeared to private enterprise is ideologically sensitive in the Soviet Union, meeting on ideology in Moscow appeared to be developing the the platform next to Mr mildly reformist food pro-Andropov and Mr Nikolity gramme launched by Mr Brezh-Tikhonov, the Prime Minister nev last May rather than calling at a Kremlin meeting at the end for anything more radical.



Grinning in the rain: The royal couple still smiling despite their broken-down Rolls-Royce

Royal couple revive their reputation as rainmakers

Wales received a soaking in New Zealand yesterday in weather fit only for ducks. It was hot and fine last time

Prince Charles was here two years ago, but this visit by the royal couple has been dogged by cold, wet conditions. Despite forecasts of better weather, it rained as the Prince and Princess opened Milford School, near Auckland The Princess, again wearing her pale yellow woollen dress and matching hat against the

reputation, built up during the tour of Australia and New

He said: "I am not exactly positive whether we brought the rain from Australia or black umbrella as soon as she stepped from the royal Rollswhether it is some of the rain that soaked the Queen in Royce and as the couple started a walkabout through the grounds of the new beating school, which teaches children to be "water wise", they quickly sent for mackintoshes. California which has taken six Opening the centre, Prince Charles could not resist a reference to the couple's

weeks to cross the Pacific." The weather even had the last word as they were leaving to attend a fire service display when the waiting Rolls-Royce, lent by the Governor General, failed to start because of Fred Page, aged 60, struggled beneath the bounet, the Prince and Princess delighted the crowds by going for another short walkabout. Finally, a black Daimler had to be used

from food poisoning in Austra-lia and his temperature soured to 104 degrees, according to Mr John Maxwell, a factory foreman, who said the Prince told him of the brief illness when they met vesterday.

to whisk you

Right forces head of Salvadoran defence to resign

General José Guillermo Garcia. El Salvador's Minister of Defence, under attack from from the far right and then both American and Salvadoran authorities for his management of the war against a leftwing insurgency, resigned on Mon-

General Garcia had been criticized by the extreme right for his support of the land redistribution programme and the provisional Government that came to power after the election last year.

General Carlos Eugenio Vides Casanova, the director of the National Government

the National Guard, was nonnnated by the provisional President Alvaro Magana as Defence

Considered a political moder-ate, General Vides Casanova was named guard commander in 1979 in an effort to end the organization's excesses. His appointment as Defence Minister is subject to confirmation by the 60-member Constituent Assembly. General Garcia was ap-

General Carlos Humberto Romero in 1979 and is the last member of the group to remain. in the Government. He was Colonel Juan Rafael Bustillo considered the comservative representative on the junta, but as other, more left-leaning, did not resign by last Friday, military members were forced. President Magana was forced to

were rundents of a possible comlest autumn. Early this year, as the leftwing guerrillas began in have a series of successes in the countryside, General Garcia became the focus for American as well as Salvadoran frus trations with the course of the

These frustrations became public when a little known commander of a north-castprovince refused in Jamusry to accept an order transferring him to the Salvadoran Embassy in Uruguay until the Defence Minister resigned. General Garcia offered his

resignation at a meeting attend. ed by other commanders on March 13, but it was not accepted by President Magana.

According to a political source, President Magana gave the continuance of American aid as one of the reasons for his continued support of the De-General Garcia was apfirmed Minister. The Americans,
pointed to the military junta
the source said, then made if
formed after the overthrow of
General Control of the Minister of the Control of the Minister of the Control of the Minister supported the institution and

not necessarily one man. This month, however, who the Air Force Commander threatened to mutiny if Garcia did not resign by last Friday, out he rose in prominence and played a role in stabilizing the country's civilian Government. Last year, he emerged as the crucial government supporte of the land redistribution pro-

Mexico breakthrough eludes Shultz

A US Administration official said in Mexico City on Monday night that both governments wished to see a lasting and

cal systems in the region. But when pressed on whether Mr Shultz had got any nearer to overcoming the traditional end of the day's talks that they differences between Mexico and had been favourably inspressed the United States on their with the Mexican Govern visions of the Central American ment's analysis of their coundilemna, the American official try's economic predicament had to concede that no break-

The United States conceives of Central America predominantly as a stage for superpower confrontation, while Mexico sees the region's problems in more local terms, as the product

of centuries-old social injustic-

Mr Shultz has been accompanied on his Mexican visit by Mr Donald Regan, the United States Freasury Sec-retary, who had four hours of talks on Monday with Sedor Jesus Silva Herzog, the Mecican Finance Minister, on the prospects for Mexico's battered economy. A United States Treasury spokesman said at the

México, with a foreign debt of \$8.500m (£5.500m); de on oil exports for more than 70 per cent of its foreign earnings. Financial analysts fear that if the oil price continues to fall, community, with United States banks on the front line, might be obliged once again to bail out

Nevertheless, Señor Sepulve-

Austrians prepare to vote

Kreisky's popularity will ensure party victory

Austrians go to the polls on April 24 to vote in a general election that has once again been dominated by the person-ality of Dr Bruno Kreisky, the Chancellor. Although he is now 72 and in poor health, his prestige and widespread popularity after 13 years in office are expected to ensure that his social democratic party remains the largest party in the Nationalrat or lower house of

whether the Social Democrats will retain their absolute majority in the new Parliament or whether Austria is in for a period of coaliation govern-ment. In the present Nationalrat the Social Democrats have 95 seats, the conservative People's Party 77 and the liberal Freedom Party 11. The situation is complicated by the fact that two new green parties are contesting the election for the first tiem, the rightwing United Greens and the Alternative List.

The Social Democrats rightly claim that Austria has withstood the economic storms of recent years better than most other western countries, though how much this is due to the Social Democratic government and how much to the enviable Austrian tradition of compromise and cooperation embodied in the social partnership is another question.

A country where strikes are almost unknown and where managers and union leaders sort out their problems over a glass of wine clearly has some built-in advantages. These are reflected in the latest economic orecasts that predict an unemployment level this year of 4.5 per cent and an inflation rate of

But although the unemployment level is still very low by nternational standards, it has doubled since 1981 and the rate

"The Austrians have been accustomed to have only two to three per cent unemployment we wait until we are in the same situation as the Germans of even the British?"

Dr Mock, former diplomat, aged 46, is fighting his first general election since he became leader of the People's Party in 1979. His main attack is levelled against what he sees as the reckless policy of the Social rowing and spending its way out of the economic crisis. He says that this has imposed a heavy but has done little to create

attention given to Austra's small and medium-sized private enterprises, which provide 80 per cent of jobs, and insists "If we move about three per cent of expenditure into promoting investment, we can recover full employment in four to five

The People's Party, whose clerical black, has acquired green tinge in recent years. It strongly supports the 1978 use of nuclear power in Austria, a decision which Dr Kreisky would like to see reversed it also tends to adopt someth of a small is beautiful approach in opposing the more grandiose projects of the Social Democrats, such as the high new conference centre being

new conference & centre built in Vienna. But in the run-up to the election all the main parties have been at pains to display their "green" credentials for fear of losing votes to the 1970

new green parties. Austrians are not nation greens" have little in common with their West German name sakes, quite apart from the fact that there is no nuclear issue to exploit. Their real significance is as protest movement against

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Prom Jean Carlia, Mexico City

Mr George Shultz the American Secretary of Shute ended his fifterness should somehow be recommended as said it was urgent that these differences with Senor Bernardo Sepulvota, the Mexican Foreign Minister, with plenty of agreement on objectives for the spannes on means of reaching them.

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owed their decline to the advent realization that led to the the "coffee habit" was retained and strengthened by the ready availability of a wide range of

seems, be grateful; without tea, our addiction might well have taken a more destructive turn.

"In the bracing climate of the north," according to an entertaining book published by Thompson, Lloyd and Ewart, the tea brokers, "men will go to almost any lengths to avoid drinking plain water." It points out that in medieval times the monks of Abingdon were entitled to three gallons of beer each, while those at Battle were rationed to a gallon of wine. instant brands. From 1972 onwards, according to Mr Jim Munday, executive director of the Tea Council, consumer preferences, particularly among young peo-ple, turned to soft drinks. Since 1978 the council's advertising, primarily on television and in magazines, has been aimed at rationed to a gallon of wine. giving tea a more sophisticated

first time since 1976.

altogether healthier.

similarly steady growth in

tonnes. The three giants are still

tea is a convenient cash crop.

labour intensive. It was this as Darjeeling.

If the book's author. P. J. Banyard, is to be believed, the "capricious" behaviour of medieval people may well be explained by their dependence on alcohol. From what we know of 18th century drinking babits, which are more fully chroncouncil's latest annual report which are more fully chron-icled, there is much to be said for his assertion that tea and coffee have provided "an immense service to civilissays that it has been particularly successful in changing the

A SPECIAL REPORT

A large mug of gently steaming, whitish brown liquid stands on

my desk in front of me as I type

this. Cheaper, more ubiquitous and less pernicious than either nicotine or alcohol, tea remains

head than we do.

That we should have made

ourselves so dependent on a

totally non-indigenous plant,

grown thousands of miles away in tropical Asia and Africa, is

extraordinary. But we should, it seems, be grateful; without tea.

The supposition nowadays is health conscious as that we drink them in preferbetter for you than coffee. High interest that we drink them in preferbetter for you than coffee. High interest to stronger stimulants

The revival of tea drinking in producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its to wait several months for the producers' increasing reluctance with its producers' increasing reluctance wit because they are cheaper. Were the Chancellor in a moment of aberration to remove all duties on wine, it is said, we would follow the example of the French and the Italians and do terrible damage to our livers.

But history does not support this view. When tea took Britain by storm in the 17th and 18th centuries, it was a very expensive drink; a pound of the cheapest variety would cost a skilled worker about one third of his weekly wage and, until the high duties were repealed in smuggling was wide-

Ironically, it is only in recent years, when the cost for most people has been relatively insignificant, that tea drinking in Britain has declined. Between 1967 and 1978 consumption fell by about 20 per cent from over 200,000, tonnes to little more than 160,000 tonnes, although in the last three or four years the trend has been reversed.

The main competition at first was from coffee, with the rapid growth of coffee bars in the late 1950s and early 1960s, belated successors to the 17th century

of tea. They proved to be a collapse of the old voluntary quota system in the mid-1950s. Since then fears that supply would outstrip demand have led to protracted talks on an international quota system under the auspices of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (Unctad). So far the talks have Trade made no headway, and there is little optimism about any agreement in the foresceable

The other great change that has overtaken the trade has lived "Join the Tea Set" posters traditional auction is still held in the 1960s, the campaign appears to have worked and there are others in Colom-bo, Calcutta, Cochin, Momba-sa, Jakarta and Chittagong. attitude to tea among young Whereas at one time auctions people, especially young house accounted for about half of all wives. There also appears to be British sales, their volume a widespread view, in this slumped last year alone from

growing popularity in the payment have discouraged United States, Poland and West distributors from carrying large Germany, has come not a stocks in warehouses. Instead moment too soon for the most tea is now bought on Alban Davies, the council's kept affoat in container ships as chairman, supply and demand were broadly in balance for the first time since 1976

These developments have not In that year there was a fall in been universally welcomed. Mr Jagdish Khattar, director of world production and an outbreak of panic buying, which led to soaring prices and promotion in the London office of the Tea Board of India, subsequent collapse. This time, maintains that an increasing he believes, the picture is proportion of substandard tea is proportion of substandard tea is being imported into Britain, A steady growth in world and that the ove demand is needed to absorb a declined a result. and that the overall quality has

Teas are regularly sold under their purported places of origin, such as Ceylon, Assam or production; between 1970 and 1981 total exports rose from 651,000 tonnes, to 851,000 Kenya, when in fact they are blends from various sources, he India, China and Sri Lanka claims. For example, the lovely (which, interestingly, still calls aromatic Darjeeling tea can, for its product Ceylon tea). but other countries are moving up the table fast, notably Kenya layas, and production is limited to about 10,000 tonnes a year. For Third World countries Yet Mr Khattar estimates that between three of four times that relatively easy to grow and amount is packed and retailed

Under the Trade Description Act packers need only mention small print that teas are blends from various sources. The Indian Government has formally asked Britain to for imports, but has had nosuccess to date.

Sterling's recent decline has been bad news for the producer countries, since it is historically the currency in which nearly all trade is conducted. But it has certainly helped to boost sales in Britain; Mr Munday is able to claim that a home-made cup of Darjeeling (presumably real Darjeeling) costs less than a cup of instant coffee.

"The greatest growth poten-tial is undoubtedly at the quality end of the market," he says. "Go into supermarkets and you will see shelves full of speciality blends. Tea is becoming trendy again. There is even a shop in Covent Garden which sells nothing clse".

Health consciousness also helped sales of tea, and the recession, he admits, done us any harm. Tea has for so long been part of the wallpaper that its virtues tend to have been forgotten. Now it is reclaiming its proper status. Even tea dances are making a comeback."

John Young

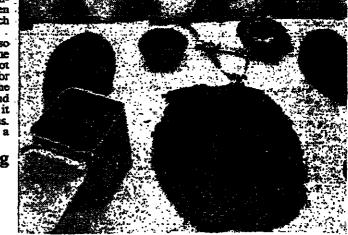
CHINA

The art and its name

China, which taught us the art of tea cultivation and gave the drink its name, may well have reemerged as the world's largest producer. Official figures for 1982 of 370,000 tonnes put it second to India; but there is a substantial unrecorded amount of tea grown in small quantities and used locally. Estimates of actual production range from about 620,000 tonnes to nearly

one million tonnes. It is thought that China has about 2.5 million acres of tea in the subtropical south-east and centre of the country, in the provinces of Yunnan, Guangxi, Guangdong, Sichuan, Guizhou, Hunan, Hubei, Jiangxi, Zhejiang, Anhui, Henan, Jiangsu, Fujian and Shaanxi.

Production is expected to black goes mainly to Europe increase by between 3 and 5 per and the United States and the cent a year into the 1990s, green to other Asian countries to meet domestic demand. According to a Chinese tea delegation which importance has aroused fears visited the United States last among the biggest black tea year, 90 per cent of China's exporters India. Sri Lanka and population of more than 1,000 Kenya, that they will be ousted million drink tea every day. A from their leading positions by



Eric Tye, chief blender at Ty.Phoo, with the tools of his trade. About 25 different teas go into the average packet.

man three to eight cups. Most of this is green tea, of

which there are thousands of varieties in China. Of the estic demand will take care of officially recorded production in 1982, it is estimated that 275,000 tonnes, or nearly 75 per cent, was of green tea. The Chinese delegation said that about 60 per cent of the increased output in the coming years would be in green tea and 40 per cent in black.

However, it is the smaller, black tea production which has caught the attention of the fields, roughly 45 per cent of the outside world. More than 95 per world's total. These are mainly cent of the world tea trade is in black tea and it is with this type that China has the better chance of earning foreign currency. Its exports of both black and green teas have more than doubled since 1970 and now stand at about 50,000 tonnes each. The

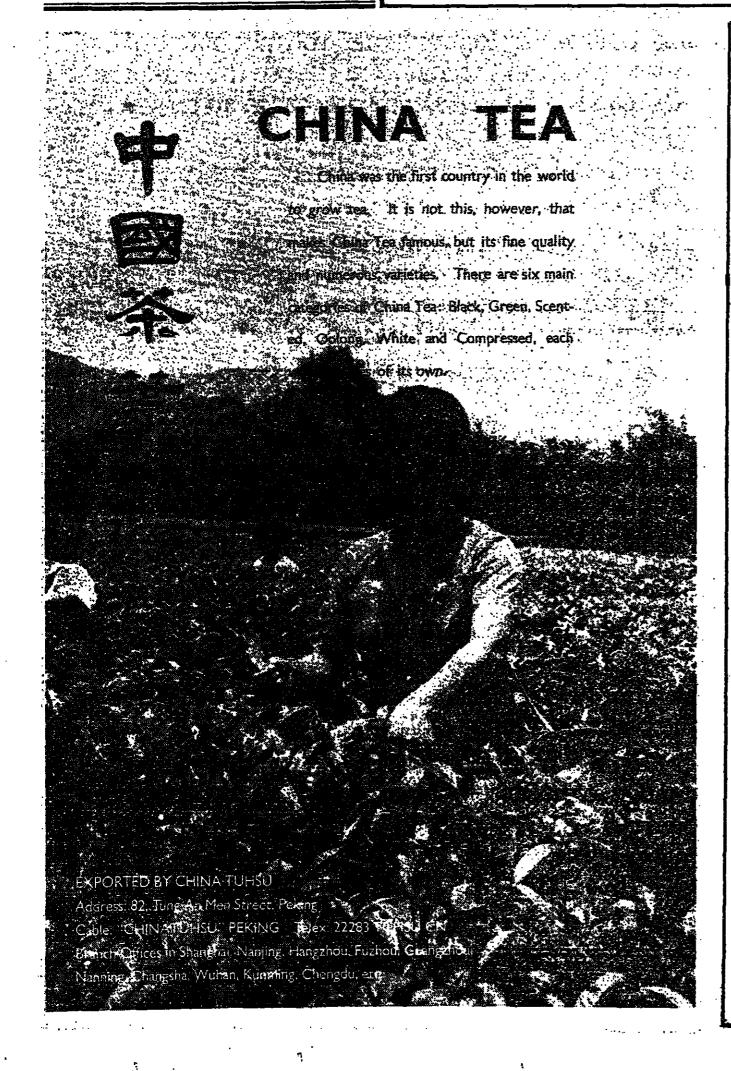
> and North Africa. China's growing international

man is likely to put down six to the "dumping" of vast quanti-12 (albeit small) cups and a ties of cheap Chinese tea on the worki market

These fears are probably most of the increase in Chinese production. Secondly, as a country which is desperately short of hard currency. China would presumably not wish to engineer a collapse in tea prices

Britain is the largest overseas market for Chinese tea, fol-lowed by the United States and Pakistan, and last year our imports from China jumped by nearly 97 per cent to 11,804

Several factors lie behind this increase. The most important concern changes in production and distribution. First, the Chinese have improved quality by greater use of fertiliser and modern machinery (some of it copied from Western models). Secondly, they are catering increasingly for tea bags - which account for 60 per cent of the British market - by manufactur-ing tea with small and precisely sized leaves. Thirdly, in the last two years they have switched to shipping their tea in standard continued on next page





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(1982 exports in brackets)

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4,003

1,878 89,893 29,915

4,386 19,500

7,000 6,300 17,087 1,533 5,000 9,954

193,901

129,800

34,000 9,707 2,000 3,000

48,707

8,007

metric tons

1981

561.920

41,287 210,148 86,508

342,500 25,223 20,000 102,304 3,056

1,438,207 1,440,111 1,430,980

2,226 2,000 90,941 31,965 5,072 22,190

7,000 6,807

15,898 1,672 5,000 10,296

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136,500

30,000 10,000, 1,700 3,000

44,700

6,988

23.4 million kilos

were 80.4 million kilos.

Colombo Correspondent

EAST AFRICA

Quality

begins to

pay off

Tea is an important item in the

economies of Kenya, Malawi,

Tanzania, Mozambique, Rwan-

da and Zimbabwe, and between

ago, the crop is being slowly restored to its former place in

an increasing crop volume.

The large tea estates which

production are now comp-

After Kenya, Malawi is the

The increased popularity of

the economy.

1,818,622 1,829,878 1,834,913 (804,463)

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70,000 370,000

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2,000 2,000 96,033 38,482

5,000 21,000

16,230 2,337

5,000 10,500

212,582

140,900

30,000 10,000 2,000 3,000

45,000

6,351

(80,600) (37,500)

(7,000)

leading tea buyer in London, they are likely to hold on to most of the increase in their

areas this year. China continues to steer clear of the London auctions, still the prices. The Chinese have since the "organized" sector. preferred to sell forward

smaller, and more local, auction are from Bihar and Andhra in Singapore but, as with Pradesh and have not been London, have not yet commit- involved in the internecine

INDIA

Fighting to keep its leadership

8.000 plantations mostly in prices, high taxes and export Assam, Darjeeling and parts of restrictions.

The South Indian hills, is still in spite of their financial the largest in the world. But it is difficulties, many tea growers the largest in the world. But it is having a difficult time and feel that an industry so importfighting to keep its leadership in

is falling and people in the sidies and reduction of taxes. a period of stagnation. Seven years ago India had a 38.6 per cent slice of world production and machinery is being improved gradually. The industry exports. Last year planters, especially in the classe shares had fallen to 30.8 "disorganized sector", in man-per cent and 23.1 per cent agement skills.

respectively.

In 1980 India produced a record 572 million kg but in the following year production fell to 561 million kg. It is estimated that it rose slightly to 565 million kg in 1982.

India's performance needs to be seen in relation to world production, which has increased every year since 1970. China's production, for example, went up from 303.75 million kg in 1900 to 342.5 million kg the following year and 370 million

Britain's largest source of tea in amounted to 179.2 million 1982, having lost it to Kenya in kilos, compared with 198.7. 1981. There has been a remark- million kilos in 1981. able rise in Indian tea exports to ago Britain bought 51 million 228.7 million kilos. Figures for

down to 39.5 million ke, while the Russians imported 78

In addition, China was able are caused partly by what the to benefit from changes in the industry call its "disorganized intermitions," The "committee" India's production difficulties price in falling production for their lack of expertise.

comers. Industry sources say that these men do not have the "feel" for tea which the original most international of the British planters developed and terminal markets, though ced- which has been inherited by ing in volume to Colombo and those who work for the large tea Calcutta. Some Chinese tea houses. About three fifths of the appeared in the auctions in the industry, especially in Assam late 1950s but fetched poor and Southen India are run by

through merchants or direct to cent of all India's tea and the the wholesaler, although a industry there is obviously a negligible amount of tea has vital one. The eruption of been placed in the auction by a violence this year, which has Last August the Chinese sent not affected production because delegation to the much many of the plantation workers disputes and the settlers issue.

Simon Scott Plummer Nevertheless, there is anxiety that tea garden workers could be drawn into the troubles of a volatile state

Meanwhile, the violence has caused severe transport problems. Many bridges have been burnt and roads have been

The overall downturn in production is partly the result of drought which has hit output in South India, Producers also point to increasing labour and fortilizer costs, the fall in selling

ant to India's economy is bound an increasingly competitive to improve production pro-Its share of the world market sympathetic to calls for sub-

Research is being intensified

Trevor Fishlock New Delhi Correspondent

Change in image, if not flavour

Colombo retained its pos-ition as the world's largest tea India regained its position, as auction centre last year but sales

Production was 187.8 million the Soviet Union, now the kilos, the lowest since 1965, biggest customer. Four years when the country produced kg of India tea and the Russians the first two months of this year had 40 million kg. Two years are the lowest for the period later Britains's purchase was since 1959.

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International market. In 1981 sector." The "organized sector" Britain bought large quantities runs the large and successful of cheap Argentine and Mozambique tea for blending. The output but the "disorganized" part of the industry - small war affected supplies of the first, and a dismatic decline in the hope of quick profits Banoladesh Şri Lanka and a dramatic decline in it in the hope of quick profits Iran quality, supplies of the second and who do not have the skills Japan The Chinese was the second and who do not have the skills Japan and knowledge of the tra- Malan The Chinese were is a position and knowledge of the tra-Japan to fill the gap. According to a ditional growers - are paying a

Total

Burundi

Mauritius

Tanzania

Soviet Union

South America

Papua New Guinea

never recover from the shocks

and stresses of nationalization

in 1975, when many experi-

ment elsewhere. Large acreages

of tea were broken up and

entrusted to cooperatives or were taken out of cultivation for

Another setback to the tea

industry has been the exodus of

skilled workers of Indian origin.

In 1964 and 1974 the Indian

of about one million workers of Indian origin on the plan-

tations. Sri Lanka would grant

citizenship to 375,000 people

about 625,000, more than half

of whom have already gone.
The present and last Sri

Lanka Governments have tried

to revive the industry, which

remains the country's biggest source of foreign exchange, with

incentives ranging from generous subsidies for replanting or

new planting to special con-

cessions for export in tea bags instead of bulk. However,

efforts to improve output and

quality have been largely negated by a deterioration in pruning plucking, soil conscr-vation and fertilizer appli-

The Tea Research Institute

has pin-pointed inadequate

supervision and the shortage of

experienced and trained labour

as the main causes of poor

affected the maintenance of

performance, even in replanted them the East African countries

tea acreages. With Sri Lankans are the largest source of supply

tecism, and this has also important export until ten years

the expansion of villages.

Other Countries

Mozambique

sales to Sritain, despite severe flooding in their ten growing areas this year.

Many of the gardens in Darjeeling, West Bengal, are run by these relative new-

Assam produces about 60 per claimed thousands of lives, has

SRI LANKA

taking the place of Indians for the British market. In many estates suffer from absen-

proper plucking rounds and the harvesting of leaf. Despite efforts by the United THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY O Nations Conference on Trade East African teas in Britain is a and Development (Unctad) and consequence of their high and meetings between producing consistent quality, coupled with countries in recent years, no agreement has been reached on Kenya, in particular, has the proposals to limit production added advantage of producing a and regulate exports through steady volume of tea throughquotas. Sri Lanka and India are out the year, with very little in favour of such action but the seasonal variation.

> increasing output, are formerly supplied all Kenya's against Fortunately for the industry lemented by a growing volume and the national exchequer, of tea from small African there have been boom prices farmers, each growing no more recently. The average price at than an acre of the crop. Backed auctions this year has been by sound advice and super-between 30 rupees and 35 vision, and with a chain of rupees per kilo. Last year's modern tea factories to process Colombo auction average was their crop, 150,000 farmers last

new producers in Africa, which

8 rupees. year produced 31,000 tonnes of Shortages in other producing tea from 55,000 bectares of i 8 rupecs. countries, the unrest in Assam, land. This year they will where both planters and workers have left, the gradual 39,000 tonnes.

devaluation of the Sri Lankan
rupec, and the steep increases in duction, totalling 95,600 tonnes. the costs of other beverages are last year, and probably more seen as the main causes of the than 100,000 tonnes this year, is higher prices, but none of these grown on large estates operated factors is likely to prove by such well-known firms as enduring. In his Budget speech Brooke Bond, James Finlay and last month Mr Ronnie de Mel, George Williamson. Minister of Finance, said it was essential to take the fullest second-largest producer, with advantage of the prevailing high more than 30,000 tonnes of tea prices by increasing pro-cach year. Mozambique produc-ductivity and improving the es around 22,000 tonnes and quality of Sri Lanka's tea.

Tanzania about 16,000 tonnes. quality of Sri Lanka's tea. Tanzania about 16,000 tonnes.

The prospects for the tea In the early 1970s Uganda was industry in the immediate producing over 20,000 tonnes a

small fraction of that, but Mitchell Cotts, a British firm, is gradually restoring the extensive tea holdings seized from them in 1972 as part of President Idi Amin's "economic

(34,415) (181,000) (60,000) Last year, in fact was a reasonable one for the East African tea producers, who saw world market prices recovering (14,500) (2,000) (2,500) (650) (4,000) nicely from the depressed levels from the previous four years Recent London market price for quality teas have been well

above those of a year ago. Marketing systems vary. Kenyan tea producers, for instance, must contribute 15 per cent of their output to the local. market at prices which are fixed well below world levels. This system is understandably unpopular with the growers.

(4,500) (18,500) (5,500) The rest of Kenys's output goes mainly to the Mombasa and London tea auctions, or in (14,500) (1,198) (3,000) private treaty sales to the European continent. Small quantities are also sold these days on the newly-established Singapore auctions, which serve the South-East Asian and Australian markets. Still more is sold offshore - auctioned while it is afloat.

The tea industry is undergoing important changes: more and more tea is being shipped from Kenya in containers, can be moved direct (35,900)from the big estates to big buyers in Britain at substantial savings in transit time and

> With containers, tea can be shipped in paper sacks, instead of in the traditional tea chests. This gives big cash savings, as a paper sack costs less than a third of the cost of a tea chest.

Source: international Tea Committee, London (ITC Estimates have been inserted where Source ITC risk available.) Kenya also exports a small quantity of blended tea in Sri Lanka's tea industry may future will be closely linked with oil prices. From 1975 Middle East countries filled the packets to other African markets. The advantage of this void left by traditional buyers trade is that it brings in a higher net return. Tea bags are also enced planters sought employ- and became the industry's best customers. Iraq was the biggest buyer of Sri Lanka's tea last manufactured in Kenya, mainly for the local market, and a small quantity of soluble ("instant") year, purchasing 28.3 million kilos, followed by Egypt, with tea is also produced, for both the local and export markets.

Britain, which had been Sri Important developments are Lanka's best customer, was taking place in tea cultivation in third, with 19.1 million kilos. Africa. Better husbandry and British purchases from Sri and Sri Lanka Governments Lanka have fallen by around 75 the selection of improved signed agreements on the future per cent since 1962, when they strains of tea are improving yields. Ten years ago Kenyan estates were happy to get 2,000 A complete restructuring of kilograms of tea per hectare the tea industry has been under they look consideration by the Governkilograms. And individual Afriand India would take back ment. In keeping with its economic policies, the private sector will once again be can farmers, who are able to give the closest of attention to their crop, can get up to 4,000 or 5,000 kilograms per hectare. brought in to manage the state-

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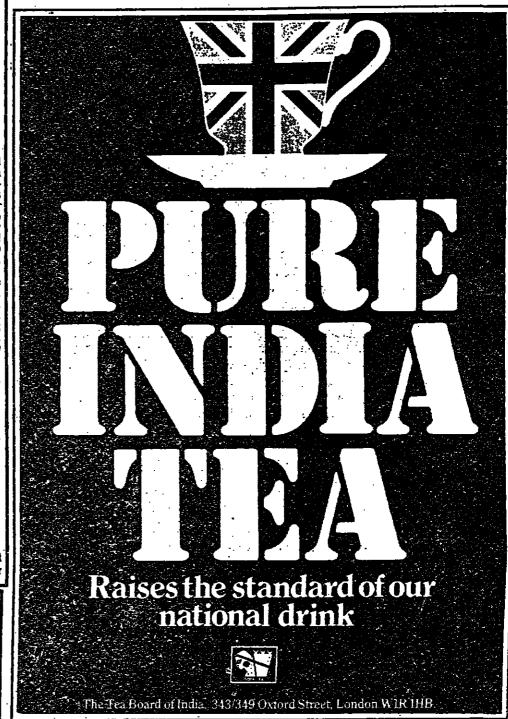
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SPECTRUM

Tourists and brass bands helped Hitler to create detailed plans for an invasion of Ireland, described in the second extract from a new book by Robert Fisk

The Nazis' Irish guidebook

detailed knowledge of the Irish border than the cartographers of the Wehrmacht's Department for War Maps and Surveys in Berlin. Their Militargeographische Angaben über Irland (Military Georgraphical Data on Ire-land) was produced for German invasion troops and contained relief maps and diagrams of the country's military bases, railway system, electrical grids, airfields, factories, gasworks, canals, rivers, mineral deposits, population density and townlands. It was a formidable piece of work, buttressed by an impressive volume of photographs and a 78-page green-covered booklet on Eire and Northern Ireland.

Seventeen pages carried thumb-nail sketches of 233 cities, towns and villages on both sides of the Irish the Northern Ireland capital's aircraft. shipbuilding and textile industries, its refineries and power plants.

"English brutality, which led to a decline in the Irish population, has constantly fed the flames of Irish hatred", the authors of the booklet told doomed quality about the invasion craft.

But there was a fatalistic if no doomed quality about the invasion craft. fore the Great War the Ulster people, independence of the Catholic Irish in

on Poland the previous September, 50,000 men. had just pushed the British and Belgian

The High armies back to the Channel. Army western flank of Operation Sealion -Weymouth and Lyme Regis. Kau- of England.

The plans for the invasion of Ireland, classified "Top Secret" and 'Very Urgent", were distributed in 32 copies by the German High Command on August 8, and at least one set of German eagle and swastika - survived the war. It shows that the invasion of Ireland, codenamed Operation Green - Fall Grun - was to have been a bold and extremely hazardous affair.
From the French ports of Lorient, St

Nazaire and Nantes, an initial force of

Abridged from In Time of War by Robert Fish, published by André Deutsch on April 25, price £25

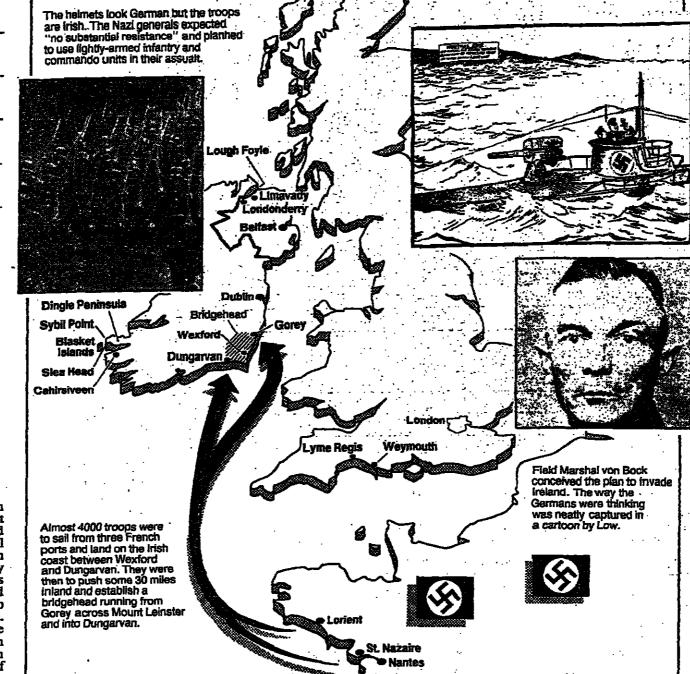
In the summer of 1940, few people 3,900 troops was to be landed on an outside Ireland could have had a more 85-mile front along the south-east coast of Ireland between Wexford and Dungarvan. Having captured the small harbours there - an enterprise which the High Command considered easy "since no substantial resistance is expected in Ireland" – lightly armed infantry and commando units were to fight their way up to 30 miles inland. Operation Green proposed that the front line of this bridgehead would run from Gorey on the Wexford-Dublin road, across the 2,610-foot height of Mount Leinster above Borris in County Carlow, through Thomastown, County Kilkenny, to the small market town of Clonmel in County Tipperary and thence to Dungarvan.

Artillery and commando squadrons and a motorized infantry battalion were to take part in the first landings border and one map even outlined in along the Irish Coast. A bridge-buildblack and grey shading those parts of the island that were Irish-speaking. A mass of tiny illustrations – of aeroplanes, ships, cotton reels, oil lamps were also to be included in the initial part of the in and gasometers - were clustered assault, while reserves from the around Belfast, generously symbolizing German 61st, 72nd and 290th Divisions were to take up occupation duties in the Gorey-Dungarvan bridgehead once it had been established. A limited number of horses would also

But there was a fatalistic if not doomed quality about the invasion their Wehrmacht readers. "Even be- plans. The German naval officers who were to transport the troops from English in their attitude, directed their France to Ireland could not have been attacks against the fanatical struggle for comforted by the instruction that "preparations for landing in England the Home Rule movement, which then must be given priority over the Ireland Ireland when the Free State was that French vessels with French crews, as well as local fishing boats, German The recipients of this brisk historical naval tugs and ferries could be used for analysis were to be the men of the 4th training the assault troops, but that and 7th German Army Corps under such ships were "scarce". Indeed, when General Leonhard Kaupisch, who in the German Navy began its search for August 1940 was ordered to prepare suitable vessels around the ports of detailed plans for an amphibious north-western France, they found only operation against Ireland. The idea's two steamships - the French Versailles originator appears to have been the and the German Eule - together with newly-promoted Field Marshal Feodor three small coasters,the Mebillo, Clio von Bock, whose Army Group B, and Franzine. This was a poor start for having distinguished itself in the attack an operation that would involve up to

The High Command anticipated that there would be communication Group B was now entrusted with the difficulties between ships during the long crossing to Ireland and from ship the invasion of Britain - and given the to shore after the first invasion force task of securing a beach-head between had landed; they recommended the use "lamp signals, signalling rods, pisch's offensive against Eire was to be megaphones, etc" while observing an integral part of the attack on radio silence. Special life-saving equipment would be carried aboard the invasion craft and Kaupisch's planners were warned "to avoid taking the crews of sinking vessels onto fullymanned ships, since this would place them in danger of capsizing". Every these instructions - still in its brown vessel was to carry anti-aircraft envelope bearing the wax seal of the weapons and constitute a self-contained fighting unit. Clearly the High Command expected the Royal Navy and the RAF to intercept its Irish invasion fleet.

German troops of the invasion force would be covered by the Luftwaffe's West of France Air Command and - so far as sea defence was possible - by warships of the German Navy from Brest. The plans for Operation Green invasion of Ireland, prompted perhaps



failure, in which case "landing at another point must be attempted". Withdrawal should take place "only in an extreme state of emergency".

Only three German divisions would take part in the first stages of the Irish invasion; 40 were scheduled to participate in Operation Scalion. It is possible that the German High Command never seriously intended to invade Ireland and there is evidence that they deliberately publicized Operation Green to stretch British defence preparations in advance of Sealion. Major General Walter Warlimont, Deputy Chief of the Wehrmacht High Command's operations staff, noted that on June 28 an instruction was issued "to the effect that in order to mislead the enemy 'all available information media' should spread the word that we were preparing a landing in Ireland to draw the net around England tighter and reinforce the and the distribution of the Green documents suggest that the Germans

radio traffic that suggested the British themselves were about to attack Eire. On December 3, 1940, he ordered Admiral Raeder's naval staff to investigate the chances of occupying Ireland. According to the record of that day's Führer Conference, Hitler believed that "a landing in Ireland can be attempted only if Ireland requests help. For the present our envoy [Eduard Hempel, German minister in Dublin] must ascertain whether de Valera desires support and whether he wishes to have his military equipment supplemented by captured British war material...which could be sent to him in independent ships...the occupation of Ireland might lead to the end of the

In fact, the Germans had already offered de Valera's government quantities of British guns captured at Dunkirk - the Irish prudently turned them down - and all Raeder's men 'siege'." But the extent of the planning could offer Hitler was the possibility that German blockade runners carrying weapons and ammunition might

community founded upon equality for all, but associates with this an extraordinary personal need for inde-pendence which easily leads to indiscipline and pugnacity..."
The handbook also contained an

extremely detailed description of the Ardnacrusha power station on the Shannon, together with a map and diagram that was presumably furnished by the German architects who designed the plant. The list of Irish cities and towns which the volume also included was an amalgam of population figures and industrial geography although it failed to mention important military details. Tiny villages like Ballyhaunis ("County Mayo, 1103 inhabitants") and Dalkey ("County Dublin, 4135 inhabitants, bathing and residential area on southside of Dublin-Bay, station and garage") were awarded a place in the list although Castletownbere in Cork, the nearest mainland berth to the military harbour at Berehaven, was omitted.

Some of the information was absurd. The German authors dis closed, for instance, that Magherafelt in County Londonerry was "a town with a big rectangular market square in the centre from which roads go to the north, south, east and west directions", an observation that was unlikely to be of immediate use to a German tank commander under fire. Other facts were tantalising in their obscurity. In Dublin, for example, there was a "project for a munitions factory, unknown if completed yet" in which a German officer would be more interested than the whereabouts of the Guinness brewery or the Jacob's biscuit factory.

The separate volume of photographs the south-east of Ireland, if only to months "as long as there is still no that accompanied this booklet contained 120 illustrations, most of them copies of postcards or newspaper pictures. These may have given the German Army a general idea of the sort of country they were invading but would have been of little military use.

Picture 19, for instance, shows a thatched cottage in the Kerry mountains outside of which a hen, two cows, an old woman in a long skirt, a small boy and a man in a bowler hat stare suspiciously at the camera. The caption announces: "People and animals often live together in one or tworoomed huts when there is no stable." Picture 74 is even less instructive. Captioned simply "Bogland in County Roscommon", it depicts a mossgenerally accurate but frequently covered wall amid mud and puddles, useless facts and statistics and a all partially obscured by heavy rain. all partially obscured by heavy rain

None of this material was likely to commend itself to diligent members of mixture of western and Nordic compo-nents... the Irishman supports a Ireland's cities might have proved

more useful. There is an actial view of the centre of Belfast with the mona-mental façade of the City Hall dominating the surrounding rows of dark office blocks and the sums of the old Markets district. A picture of "Stadt Cork, St Patrickstrasse" prob. ably gave a fair enough impression of daily commercial life in Eire's second city, with automobiles and petrol buses driving between pavements convided

with shoppers.
But an illustration captioned "Dublin, Stadtbild mix Liffeyfluss' would have been somewhat misleading. Apart from two electric frams negotiating the corner of O'Contiell Bridge, the only vehicles to be seen are horse-trawn carriages. An elegant phaeton is approaching Bachelors Walk and the vessels moored in the fog opposite the Customs House down river are all sailing ships. The picture appears to have been taken at the end of the nineteenth century.

Of far less innocent provence, however, were the illustrations to be found in two booklets. Photographs of the Irish coastline came from Luft waffe photo-reconnaissance units and from snapshots apparently taken before the war by German tourists with an unerringly good eye for beach-heads. Three hundred and thirty-two photographs and coastal profiles were used to illustrate maps of a 1:250,000 scale, together with details of spring tides, geological formations and possible military routes inland from the

The Irish authorities were well aware that the Germans were photographing their coastline. On December 29, 1940, a Luftwaffe plane flew low over Dublin, coming under fire from Irish anti-aircraft batteries outside the city; on another occasion a German plane that crash-landed in Fire was found to have a photographer on board.

The Luftwaffe paid particular attention to possible invasion beaches. A three-section photograph was also assembled of the lower half of Lough Foyle in Northern Ireland, a fold-out plate that covered the land and sea shore from the outskirts of Londonderry almost to Magilligan Point. The pictures show the long, flat beaches north-west of Limavady and two RAF airfields - Eglinton and Ballykelly - as well as the Belfast-Londonderry railway line. Black lines had been superamposed on the airfields to emphasize the runways.

Several other photographs in this collection were of the Kerry coast. One illustration of the Blasket Islands was from a picture postcard, with magnetic north overprinted in the foreground. Several pages contained frames of Sybil Point and Slea Head on the Dingle peninsula: at least one of these photographs was taken from the sea, perhaps from a submarine, and five from the shore-line on a small camera. Drawings and sketches of the Blaskets were also included with milage charts. These may have been the work of a German brass band which stayed in the town of Cahirsiveen on the south side of Dingle Bay in 1937: local people remember the musicians "drawing" maps" as they relaxed in field the sea between performances.

But while German intelligence work on Ireland was detailed, thorough and only occasionally careless, no attempt was made to conduct any serious analysis into the politics of the partitioned island. The Gestapo had prepared for themselves a 100 page handbook on Britain, Informationshell GB, which contained an assessment of political groups and organizations in the country. There was a brief reference in it to the Communist Party of Eire but otherwise no mention of Ireland was made. A separate 350-page Sonderfahn-

dungsliste GB comprised a list of those people in public life who lived in Britain and who were to be arrested after occupation. Churchill's Irish-hom confidant Brendan Bracken - later to become British Minister of Information - was on the list and so was "Claude (sic) Cockburn, 56 Jahr alt. Korrespondent", but no other Irish name appears, not even Craigavon and his ministers in Belfast. Nor was a corresponding handbook published for the Gestapo on Eire or Northern

If Ireland was to be occupied, it would be as a means to the invasion of Britain, an object of military but not political attention. Doubtless the Gestapo would have arrived in Dublin and Belfast once the island was in German hands, but it was important only as the back door of Britain's defences, a spring-board for the final blow against Germany's only surviving European enemy.

he plans show that Operation Green was to have been a bold and extremely hazardous affair

draw off British troops in Northern Ireland who might otherwise be sent to southern England to oppose Sealion. There can be little doubt that the

Germans did eventually plan to occupy the entire British Isles, and when their newly-formed Military Economic Staff for England - Wehrwirtschaftsstab England - met at the beginning of September 1940, they included Dublin among the six German administrative headquarters that were to have been set up in the two islands. Kaupisch continued his preparations for the Irish invasion throughout September, and only in mid-October - when Sealion had been postponed - was he allowed to slow the pace of his exercises, continuing them only as a pretence.

In the following month, however, Hitler took a personal interest in an frankly admitted the possibility of by an Abwehr interception of British

state of war between Britain and Ireland and as long as the Irish cooperate".

Irish neutrality was to be respected and a landing made there only at de Valera's request. But the idea of an invasion was not yet dead. An attack on the island was to be considered by the Germans on two more occasions and throughout the rest of 1940 and the following two years German printers at the Institut Cartographique Militaire in Brussels produced thou-sands of copies of their maps and literature for German soldiers in Ireland. Military Geographical Data on Ireland presented a uniquely Teutonic view of the country with a mass of characteristic interest in Irish racial stock. The Irish, it disclosed, were "a

The last time I saw Venice



As I write this.

Well, no. true. As you read this, I am sitting at a cafe table in Venice. I am actually writing this at a desk in Notting Hill before I leave for Venice on a week's holiday, so that next week (or now, as you would call it) I Venice and write a piece.

Of course, I could simply have taken a week's holiday from The Times. but unfortunately i forsot to warn inv editor in time for him to find a replacement. It was all so much

Miles Kington is doesn't work like that. As it is, on holiday. here I am writing a piece here I am writing a piece instead of being on holiday. But I am sitting at a at least there is one advantage cafe table in to this.

Venice yet, I cannot write a piece about Venice. As I sit now at my cafe table, I reflect that as i wrote this piece several days ago, you are spared yet another outpouring on the wonders of Venice, the shame of it sinking into a sea and the greatness of don't have to sit down in Who wants another piece about

And there is a great difficulty in writing about Venice, apart from the fact of not having been there, as I have not, and that is the difficulty of finding an opening sentence. Venice seems to bring out the opening sentence in writers. Was it not replacement. It was all so that sealier opening sentence. Venice seems of impromptu canals) but the obituaties, where they could simply find more people who had recently died to replace me with. Apparently this page of the period of the per

MORFOVER... Miles Kington

Since I have not gone to Please advise? Or was it enice yet, I cannot write a perhaps Robert Benchley?

Much earlier, the great French humorist Alphonse Ilais opened a dispatch from Venice with words that bring hack the Victorian era with a sharp shock. "The most striking thing that greets one's first arrival in Venice is the complete and utter absence of the smell of horse manure." It is hard to rival that as an opening. We are used to seeing great European cities full of water these days (last week it was Cologne that was suddenly full

Italians. That the only natives one sees are those employed to service the tourist armies, and that they all go back to the mainland at night. This may or may not be true, and as I sit

not here yet. When I said I had never been to Venice, this was not quite train out of Edinburgh to true. When I was in my early leens, my father took us all on a could go across the Forth Bridge trip to northern Italy, but all I twice.

Looking back, I suspect that my father knew, but didn't tell me. My passion for steam engines used to interfere with holiday plans considerably. here at my cafe table, I have probably worked out the truth or otherwise, but as I said, I am

House, but as I said, I am

Tower and I wanted to go to the Gare St Lazare. When we went to Edinburgh one year, I took a

Venice on, especially as I now | Venice Station, even if I try to see from the map I bought at persuade her that it is worth Stanford's this morning that seeing the Orient Express there is a large railway station in arrive, or that I might get a arrive, or that I might get a good opening line out of it. Railway station full of water. words "Streets full of water, Please advise"? Or was it perhaps Robert Benchley?

Strong minority – that the most known where to look I would have found any amount of steam trains.

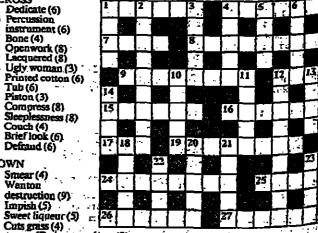
Venue and that it only I had good opening line out of IL known where to look I would have found any amount of steam. Venue absence of smell of steam. Venue gateway to the mainland. . . .

I am not sure I ought to write a piece about Venice at all, even when I have come back and am, after a week there, an expert on the place. I am reminded of that greatest of all openings to all travel books, By Rocking Chair Across America, by Alex Atkinson and Ronald Searle. It starts:

"Most travel books about America are written by people who have spent a mere few weeks there. This one is quite different. It is written by someone who has never been

Quite so. Waiter, another

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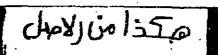
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JOANNA LUMLEY'S DIARY

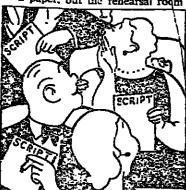
Whatever would Noël have said?

colour of raspberry yoghourt a great elephantcoloured curtain hares over one wall in heavy stained folds, finally drooping sadly on to the mantelpiece. Stacked in one corner are chipped pub tables, two chaises

longues upholstered in

purple plush and a mass of a dinner party. It urged me to bring cardboard boxes. The roots is lit by my wife. What's a chap to do? six neon strips: it is indescribably dirty and the windows havin't been distanced for a decade. There is a reconditioned job painted milky bright little fire which we fied with stack I went out and spent a king's stack. I went out and spent a king's

you leave in case someone tries to steal the aging Adamant fixtures or, worse still uses them. Bring your own paper, but the rehearsal room



does have three coffee spoons and an electric kettle. You can see through the piano, as its panels have fallen off and the pedals are missing. Every day we strive to reconstruct

the elegance and gaiety of Noel Coward and Gertrude Lawrence; as we scuffie through the dust, we smooth our imaginary evening dresses and push our hands into the pockets of phantom dinner jackets. It was ever thus: and I suspect it will be ever thus. Simon Cadell, like Coward, turns up in a suit; I wear my oldest clothes. I am ashamed to say, but that's only because I have to

I met Simon Cadell on a train one; Monday two years ago. We spent tour hours in a first class compartment arguing, declaring our love fol cach other, throwing things, hugging a then more arguing: that night we did it all again in front of an audience. and the play was Private Lives. The Frida; before, a serious log injury had folled James Villiers, who was playing Elyot: on Saturday, I went on with the gallant understudy, while London was combed for a replacement. Cadell was alerted on Surplay: by some miracle, he learned the three-act play in a day and our only chance to run the lines was during the journey north.

incandescent with terror, we plazed through the show, perfect strangers in front of a packed house, witching each other like hawks. Neither of us can remember much of what went on, but we have already started to embroider the tale: Simon justifiably, is shrinking the scan time he had to learn it ("Quarter of an hour with the book, then Beginners, please"); and so have I ("... and onto the stage came a map I of never met before in my life . . . |). But it's still a grand story.

Much against my better judgment. I agreed to stick my nose into El Vino's to see if I could track down a colleague on a literary affair of some urgency. A man with a Bateman expression showed my hurriedly to the door because, under my beautiful dark blue wool Ican Muir coat, I was

wearing trousers (for afore-said rehearsals in scruffy pub room). I was completely in the wrong, of course, but I wish he hadn't looked so wintry as I stuttered my apologies. The same day, I received a letter addressed to Miss Lumley which professed to be a personal invitation to

oright little fire which we fied with coal from a plastic washing to bow! suck, I went out and spent a king's and the vast space is heated by about midday.

A bit of a palayer to go to the lavatory, though: it involves keys and padlocks and a sprint through the car park, jump a puddle land don't forget to lock the door when you leave in case someone tries to crevice - she even Hoovers the curtains. I unpacked the main body of the machine (rather larger than I had expected), fitted the plug and off we went. My, what power! Little unexpected grains of sand sprang up from the carpets and bobbed and jittered in anticipation of being swallowed. I noticed a height productor with pictures described adjuster, with pictures denoting length of carpet: bald, crew-cut and waving corn. I snapped it on to medium and set off behind the sofa. the machine, however, had spotted the long-haired rug and seized it with a roar, chewing and growling until its jaws were full.

I disentangled it, switched it to cornfield and followed it down to the junk room, It got at the side of a pile newspapers, nipping little pieces ff and devouring them instantly, und two nice safety-pins disappeared before I could bend down to grab hem, I clicked it on to bald and went hito the kitchen. It has a special bald attachment on a limp oesophagus arm (probably for cleaning the bath) but it was difficult to control: I found I had to hunch right over and creep chout like Quasimodo, steering it hile it feasted on onion skins and nubber bands. It was only when, scooped and exhausted, I crammed it nto the tiny broom cupboard that he long stiff tube, which ought to have gone 'twixt mouth and cesophagus, toppled slowly out. It ain't what you do, it's the way that



A hitherto undreamed-of occasion for playing The Murderer Winks (I described the rules two weeks ago): on stage, during performances of long, slow-paced Shakespearean dramas. Apparently it's an old favourite with actors. Of course, discretion is de rigueur, the winks must not be spotted by the audience and the deaths have to be reduced to ducking your chin on to your chest for a moment.

Try saying "Peggy Babcock, Peggy Babcock, Peggy Babcock" out loud.

Friday: Shirley Lowe interviews Lana Turner about how stardom upset family life



Paul Pickering meets a female

master of foxhounds who galloped in pursuit of human quarry - her local prospective Conservative candidate



A-hunting we will go

The head of a large hare hangs on the wall behind her ladyship. It wears the puzzled expression of a creature who is about his own business one minute and the next finds himself fastened to a board in a comfortable drawing room of a Queen Anne country house. Lady Crossman, senior joint master of the Cambridgeshire Foxhounds points out her favourite trophy, a snarling fox head by a window looking out on the family's 500 acres: "There is nothing better than a good hunt," she says with a smile.

Another sort of kill brought Lady Crossman and her husband Sir Peter into the news last week. They flushed a Conservative prospective political candidate Hugh Simmonds from cover when they heard his wife was a member of the League Against Cruel Sports and they savaged him ferociously. His adoption as a candidate, which he thought a formality, was promptly blocked, proving that pre-Tebbit Tories of the shires still have clout. One almost expected to find the bemused Mr Simmond's head on the wall by the hare.

Mr Simmonds still cannot believe what happened. "I was not merely astounded but stunned. What they wanted was an MP and his wife who would gallop to hounds. I tried to explain my view to Sir Peter and Lady Crossman for three quarters of an hour. The decision is not a reflection of the constituency, which is one third indus-

wants to do it, that is up to them. We had thought Hugh's adoption was just a formality.' Instead, the unlucky Beaconsfield solicitor glimpsed his par-

ty's killer instinct. Foxhunting for the Crossmans is their whole life, a mannered game governed by strict rules of fair play, decency and common sense. Lady Crossman was hunting almost as soon as she could walk: "I followed the hunt on a donkey at the age of three and then I had a little pony called Blackie. Yes, I was blooded I think all children want to be blooded."

To see a kill is proof of one's horsemanship

"Blooding" is the foxhunting ritual where the faces of children are daubed with the blood of the freshly killed fox: "My only reservation, continued Lady Crossman, was that it was pouring with rain and the blood washed off by the time I got home to show my father."

But neither Lady Crossman nor Sir Peter could be described as intentionally cruel or insensitive. Lady Crossman has been joint master of the hunt for 23 years, and followed in the footsteps of her mother Kathleen, who hunted side saddle, and was master for 18 years. Sir His wife Janet added: "I don't Peter fitted in three years as

of Watney Mann and of the National Union of the Conservative Party.

When the hapless Mr Simmonds tried to placate Sir Peter by saying he shot 1,000 starlings a week in his suburban orchard. he would only have inspired distaste. It was almost as absurd as telling a matador one is a dab hand with the slug pellets.

Most huntsmen are keen conservationists: "I love to see a fox, especially nibbling at the blackberries. I like watching a litter of cubs playing in the summer," said Lady Crossman. "I don't applaud on seeing one killed, but if it is killed fairly and squarely, by the rules and by the hounds, then I am pleased, partly because I am attached to the hounds. It is a paradox.

"People say we like seeing a fox torn to pieces. Very few deodie who so hunting actually see the kill, it's only if you are in front." To see a kill is proof of one's horsemanship.

Poison is horrible; I have seen hounds poisoned with strychnine and it's a slow agonizing death."

"We are cousins", said Lady Crossman, aged 66, who married Sir Peter, 73, just before the last war. They spent the rest of it trying to get together, hunting all the time: "I was sent to Palestine with the cavalry", said Sir Peter. Exodus foxhounds out of Bag- with her.

like foxhunting, but if someone master between being chairman hdad. We used to hunt jackals of course." Lady Crossman was a Foreign Office cipher clerk and worked in Morocco and Beirut before eventually meeting Sir Peter in Cairo, where un-

fortunately there was no hunting. Since the turn of the century women foxhunters have enjoyed equality with men: "My mother was a pioneer", said Lady Crossman who employs three full-time hunting staff. "We kill 25 brace of foxes a year", she

adds proudly.
Politics is taboo: "We never ask anyone their politics." Could Tarig Ali ride with the pack if he wanted to? "One would know his views", said her ladyship darkly. "The socialists want us to drag

There are no hunts behind the Iron Curtain

The only real justification is hunt without a fox but its far too the hounds kill the fox instantly. slow. It is the uncertainty of a hunt that's important, not knowing where you are going and the speed. There are no hunts behind the Iron Curtain", which to the Crossmans is the ultimate restriction of communism.
"There was a good pack of borzois used on wolves in Poland before the war", recalled Sir Peter.

"I used to ride with the Rowle ever stop us hunting", said a other and work with each other and Vale pack, the only one in determined Lady Crossman. An Palestine. Then there was the awful lot of foxes would agree teachers would redress the balance. determined Lady Crossman. An work as a team. More male primary

COMMENT

Is a miss as good as a sir?

Most children do not encounter a male teacher until the final year of their junior school, and sometimes not until their secondary school. In primary education a child is usually taught by one class teacher, normaily a woman, every day. This means that for probably five years -about half of most children's school life - they are subject to a woman's views, attitudes, emotions and

expectations. One may argue that to a certain extent primary pupils need to be "mothered". I would argue that men are equally capable of providing affection and understanding as well as instruction, but have never been given the opportunity to show it.

Because a junior class has only one teacher the children observe all aspects of her personality and often get to know her very well. During these important, influential years, which shape a child's personality, probably for life, boys and girls are seeing women as the decision-makers, the ones who care (the friends), the ones who show

When a child enters the more formal secondary school, where seen as merely an instructor. Even if, a child is taught by a male teacher in his junior school, the rest of the staff are likely to be women. If the head teacher is a man, he may be seen as distant, the one who dishes out

I believe all this influences the roles people adopt when they become parents. It is the mother who mainly cares for the children, as it was her female teacher (apart from her mother) who guided, disciplined and cared for her during those impressionable years. The image of the distant male similarly transfers from one generation to the next. When the boy becomes a father he sees his wife as taking the main responsibility for child care; his is a

supportive role.
Until more males are recuited into junior education, and seen to be as caring and important as women, society will continually expect women to take resposibility for bringing up children. It is no wonder society that so many fathers seem to show a lack of interest in their offispring.

There are other reasons, too. Many boys today come from homes without fathers. It is helpful for such a child if he can build a strong relationship with a male teacher. Otherwise he may spend the rest of his life distrusting men. When I permanently took over a class from a female teacher a boy from a broken home managed to establish a good relationship with me. and his work improved considerably. He became much happier at home.

There are also practical reasons. Not all men enjoy sport, for example, and when there is only one male teacher in a school, the responsibility of boys' games falls on him whether he likes it or not.

Older junior school boys seem to many woman teachers taking this age group. They don't deal with the boys' development, but appear to try to prevent it. They read them stories much too young for them. Women teachers tend to "mother" hove and perhaps this encourages them to . become dependent on a woman

rather than a man. On a social level, from my experience, with more men in the staffroom there is a better atmoshere. When there are mainly women there seems to be a lot of bitchiness. (An all-male staff, of course, can be equally bad.) Surely, it is important for the children's sake "I don't think anyone will that a staff can get on with each

Peter Riches

Of the several good leasons for envying the provider of food in any French household, the corner charcuterie if one of the best-founded. Even the meanest village has a window some-where delectably packed with rosy products of the traditional pork kitchen. Among the pates and terrines, saysages, crepinettes and bouding there will be plain stoneware bowls of rillettes their meety contents hidden under a layer of lard patterned with a fork.

Rillettes are the simplest of delicacies to make and one of the cheapest - just belly of pork cooked in its own fat until it literally falls apart. Towards the nd of its long, slow cooking, he air is rich with the smell of ork, and it is almost an essence f the meat which is eventually acked into bowls or pots. Jack ratt's wife could happily have ed on rillettes. Jack himself would have been

ar happier with potted hough. an almost fat-free dish of ship of beef cooked to rags and set in its own beefy jelly. An old compge own beery yelly. An old comage recipe given by F Manan McNeill in hericlassic book The Scots Kitchen. Its Lore And Recipes is almost identical to the one my family has used as long as any of us can recall. "Take the nap end of hough,

about three pounds or so, make the butcher break it through put it into a saucepan and nearly cover it with water. Put it on the fire at night, bring it almost to boiling-point, then place it on the hob and let it Mince the meat pretty small, and put it in the saucepan again; add a little boiling water if required, and pepper and salt to taste, and let it boil for ten taste, and let it boil for ten briling point and when the minutes, no longer. Put it into bowls or moulds and set aside bowls or moulds and set aside tender. Not all the fat will to cool. It will have a rich taste, liquefy.

THE TIMES COOK



Shona Crawford Poole

Pork and lean

far before the common way of

Ritlettes of pork العلاد اله Makes about 680g (11) Makes

900g (2lb) rindless belly of pork 110g (4oz) pure lard 1 sprig thyme

1 bay Isaf Quatre-epices, a mixture of ground cloves, ginger, nutmeg and white

Salt and treshly ground black

bebber Cut the pork into smallish cubes about 3cm (just over lin) simmer gently all night: don't square and put them in a heavy let it boil. In the morning the based pot or casserole with the meat will fall from the bones, lard and three or four tablespoons of cold water. Cook the meat covered, on a very low acat indeed for about six hours. The right heat is just below

Drain the meat from the When the meat is cool enough your fingers or a pair of forks to break it up. Return it to the pan with 150ml (1/4 pint) of the amplifies the taste of the meat. liquid fat, being careful not to potted hough include the stock. (This rich stock makes an excellent gravy base for another occasion.) Add the herbs, spices and salt to taste, seasoning the meat highly as the flavourings will fade a little when the rillettes are served cold. Cook the meat for another 15 minutes or so, stirring it from time to time to blend and distribute the fla-

Pack the meat into sterilized pots or jars and press it down well with the back of a spoon. Cover with a layer of the fat previously strained off and leave until quite cold. When the fat has set, run another layer of fat over the top to ensure a good seal, and when that too has set, cover the jars with foil of plastic film. Store in a cool place, or the refrigator. Carefully made rillettes will keep for up to six months. Serve rillettes like pate with

toast, or better still, with wellmade crusty bread. To sterilize glazed stoneware or porcelain pots, or glass jars, you can boil or bake them. In either case the pots should be

well-washed first.
To boil them set them in a large pot, immersing them completely in cold water. Bring to the boil and boil them for five minutes, then leave to cool in the water. Drain and dry on freshly boiled tea cloths.

To sterilize jars by baking, set them, open end up, on a baking sheet and place in a cold oven. Heat the oven to cool (150°C/300°F, gas mark 2) and leave the jars at that heat for five minutes or until needed. Fill the jars as soon as they are taken from the oven.

Potted hough makes beefy liquid fat and reserve the fat. sandwich filling, or a topping for thick, buttery toast. It is also to handle, shred it finely, using good served in slices with baked or sautéed potatoes and a salad. The heat of the potatoes Potted hough

Makes about 680g (11/2 lbs) 900g (2lb) bone!ess shin of beef

Salt and freshly ground black 1 tablespoon unflevoured gelatine

If your beef is cut from the

(optional, see recipe)

end of the leg nearest the hoof it will have plenty of gelatine rich gristle to melt into the meat during its long, slow cooking. Put the meat, in one piece, in a heavy pot and cover it with water. Bring to simmering point, cover and leave it to cook slowly for five or six hours, or until it is meltingly tender. Add boiling water as necessary to keep the meat immersed. Drain the meat and set it aside to cool Strain the stock back into the pan, skim it of fat and reduce it to about 600ml (1 pint) by fast boiling. If the reduced stock

does not feel sticky on your lips,

the beef has too little gelatine to

set the dish well and the extra

then pour it into one or more

spotlessly clean bowls or boxes.

Plastic refigerator boxes make a

gelatine should be added now. Chop the meat finely, against the grain, discarding any pieces of visible skin, fat or gristle. Return it to the pan and season it to taste with salt and freshly ground black pepper. Season generously to take account of the effect of serving the meat cold. Bring the meat to the boil

loaf shaped mould for easily sliced meat. Potted hough keeps for several days in the refrigerator but does not freeze successfully because of its high gelatine content.

pea... and a petit pois at that "Hello? Oh, I'm very well thank you. I had a touch of cancer last week, but I'm fine now. How are you?" This is not sick joke. It is actually how I

a sick joke. It is actually how I feel about this bogey disease — not much more than a bout of 'flu. But then I was lucky. I found it before it was too late. It was such a little lump, really. Only the size of a pea and a petit pois at that. My doctor thought it could be dispersed by injection, but the consultant said not. If there were anything nasty there, the cells could be disseminated. It had to be cut out - a little operation, nothing to worry about.

It was not until I was inescapably tucked up in St Bartholomew's Abernethy ward that the alarm, bells rang. The consent form was not only for the removal of the lump, but also for "any further surgery" found to be necessary. I added "apart from a complete mastectomy" before I signed "I don't care what you find," I said, "I want you to wake me up and tell me about it first. If I come round and find I'm lop-sided I won't be able to cope."

So it was a couple of days after the first operation that the lab reported that a small section of tissue had proved malignant and they couldn't be sure they had got it all out. A radical mastectomy was advised. It was the only proven cure, I was told, and most women were so frightened of the disease they felt relief at knowing it had been cut out for ever.

Do they? I don't believe it. I could not have borne to meet myself in the bathroom mirror every day for the rest of my life and be disgusted by my mutilation. It has nothing to do with varity or husbands or lovers, present or potential. It is a question of being comfortable with oneseif, of wearing one's body without thinking about it, like a well-worn anorak. I did, but I reckoned if my body couldn't

It was such a little lump – the size of a

By Beryl Downing

So there was much sympathetic discussion - and that is one of the characteristics of Barts that make it such an outstanding teaching hospital; everyone from consultants to junior nurses,however busy and however overtaxed, was prepared to give time to listening as well as to doing - not an attribute of every NHS hospital,

A segmental mastectomy was agreed, followed by six weeks of radiotherapy - a combination of treatment increasingly accepted to be as effective as a radical, provided the lump is in the outer segment of the breast. If the tumour is no bigger than two centimetres, 60 per cent of women suffer no recurrence, which is why early diagnosis is so vital.

The surgery was performed not only with medical skill, but with such cosmetic care that in less than a week I was assured that eventually there would be nothing more noticeable than "a slight asymmeny".

Then came the radiotherapy. I was one of the first patients in the country to be treated on the new American Varian machine which is said to improve trealment through greater reliability. Again I had the greatest possible care, with constant attention to the effects on skin, blood and bones, plus an encouraging cheerfulness from staff and fellow patients which made me feel I was an honorary member of a very informal club.

I was warned that I would feel tired, and

cope it would let me know, so I went straight from my daily treatments to the office and had cause for the first time to benefit from working in a man's world. Men understand illness if they can see it. Break an arm and they will sympathize. But if a woman behaves in an irrational way because she is tired and touchy, for whatever sound medical reason, she is labelled menstrual or menopausal and treated kindly but without much intellectual respect.

It was precisely the need to disprove that attitude - to myself if to no one else that helped me to survive. There is no time for minor skirmishes of self pity when there is a larger war to win. The worst thing anyone said to me - a friend's husband, thinking he was being sympathetic - was "Take some time off - nobody is indispensable". The best was when I told my doctor I had agreed to the segmental mastectomy. "I'm glad", she said briskly. "I had it done 12 years ago."

I am convinced that a positive, up-beat attitude such as hers helps to exorcize the disease as well as the fear by encouraging more open discussion. If other people are embarrassed by the word it is the fault of those of us who have had the disease. We should share the good experiences, not the bad. I was much more frightened by other people's dire warnings than by anything that actually happened.

Of course there are much more severe cases than mine. I shared 10 days of their lives in hospital and I shall always remember and admire the selflessness and strength of spirit which so many of them showed. It helped to convince me that, given the right medical help, the rest of the battle is won in the mind. Some have faith, some have courage, some, like me, are just bloody minded. What does it matter what you

call it, as long as it works?



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Red terror

Sir Harold Wilson has been touring the Soviet Union pouring oil on waters troubled by the tit-for-tat expulsions between London and Moscow. He was not helped by his almost obsessive references to "Trots" in the Labour party. Sir Harold told Soviet leaders from Moscow to Tashkent that the greatest threat to British democracy came from followers of Trotsky "who must be turning in his grave at the thought of what is done in his

"Of course", he added, "you know all about Trotskyists, and as far as I am concerned you can have them back." The Russians, for whom the name of Trotsky is anathema, were aghast at the thought that the heretic Stalin had murdered poses a greater threat to capitalism than all the might of Soviet communism.

Sir Harold also revealed his formula for not consuming too much vodka at Soviet receptions. He begins his toasts: "I was once president of the Royal Statistical Society." If he can say it. he has another drink. If he can'i, he doesn'i.

Wormcatcher

I got to the office early yesterday. and so was the only person available to take a call from Des Wilson, chairman of Friends of the Earth and the Campaign for Leadfree Air.
"You would think I would be soaking in champagne, wouldn't you, after the Government's decision to phase lead out of petrol?" he cried. "Far from it. I was in at 5.30 am, organizing the Green Rally for April 27. There's a lot to do when you're filling Central Hall, Westminster, with 3,000 people twice a day, with meetings to follow in Leeds and Bristol, businessmen's seminars, a lead conference... And still he finds time to ring the papers. I have, I thought blearily, had more encouraging starts to the

A South American airline captain addressing his passengers before take-off: "Government regulations require us to warn passengers of our



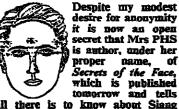
'If he's only off his food, I suggest you give him a run with the Berkeley Hunt'.

True to life

Twenty-three portraits of American rock stars are to be donated to the Theatre Museum's permanent collection, although the originals were destroyed by thieves who stole them in 1979. David Oxtoby's paintings of Elvis Preslev, Jerry Lee Lewis, Little Richard, Fats Domino, Bill Haley and others had been put on to colour transparencies by a fine art photographer beforehand. From the slides, five inches by four inches, the Vision Gallery was able to recreate the pictures in highest quality photographic print at their original size, up to eight feet by five feet. Before the pictures go to the Theatre Museum, it is hoped to put them on show as part of the Britain Salutes New York festival, at the Songwriters' Hall of Fame on Times Square. but a sponsor to make that possible

Irish spoken here

A PHScout has been enjoying an Irish break in London. He started by arriving at King's Cross and finding British Rail luggage trolley marked: "For passenger use only Not to be removed from Euston. He is staying at the London Tara Hotel: Tara is Irish for earth, and the hotel has a very Irish flavour. The room service menu offers Tralee broth and Paddy's whiskey, and on the in-house telephone directory it says: "For emergencies dial 888." The guest asked the telephone operator to help him place a call to senegal. The response was: "Would



all there is to know about Siang Mien. a 2,000-year-old Chinese system of reading character from the face. Several people have impertinently inquired if it does not undermine the credibility of her work that she should have married me after having full opportunity to scrutinize the PHySiognomy. Of course it does not, but I was tempted to use a similar argument myself when under domestic attack for shilly-shallying and general wetness "It says here", I said, producing my wife's analysis of my features from the current Good Housekeeping, "it says here - 'can act decisively."
"Can!", shrilled the PHSpouse in dudgeon. "Can - but won't!"

Why can't a serviceman sue?

On Sunday, November 16, 1980, Martin Kettrick, a 23-year-old fitness enthusiast, was abseiling down rocks in the Lake District. When he was 40ft from the ground someone cut the rope from which he was suspended. His injuries were horrific.

He suffered a broken spinal chord, fractured skull and punctured lung. Now, three years later, he is a paraplegic, doubly incontinent and mainly confined to a wheelchair. In the circumstances, and in view of his lost earning capacity, he naturally thought of exercising the usual right of suing for negligence. But Martin Kettrick is denied that right because, when he broke his back on a training exercise, he was a British serviceman. As a corporal in the Royal Marines he, like all other servicemen, had signed away his rights on enlistment.

This was to have a profound effect on his financial future. Had he been able to prove in court that a non-commissioned officer had been negligent, in cutting the rope before checking his safety, he would probably have been awarded compensation of up to £300,000. Instead, in addition to the equivalent of an industrial injuries payment, and a gratuity of £3,553, he was dispatched with an invaliding payment of some £47 a

The reason was that Section 10 of the Crown Proceedings Act, 1947, prevents a serviceman from suing the Crown or another serviceman for negligence.

This is an acceptable doctrine for servicemen in battle. When they sign on

they incur and accept risks of serious injury or death in action. But it is a monstrous deprivation of rights for servicemen engaged in day-to-day activities in normal times. The by Jack Ashley

Act fails to make the obvious distinction between the position of servicemen on the rare occasions they are in action and when they are not.

Section 10 of the Act is vigorously, but unconvincingly, supported by the Ministry of Defence. It claims that there is no reasonable and easily definable dividing line between military action and other activities. Any serviceman could soon put them right about that.

Ministers argue that if a serviceman was allowed to sue for negligence it would endanger discipline. But discipline has little or nothing to do with legal redress. The Ministry of Defence have acknowledged that all serious injuries and accidental deaths are formally investigated and that disciplinary action can, and does, follow.

'When they sign on they accept risks of serious injury or death in action. But it is a monstrous deprivation of rights in normal times'

There is no reason to believe that discipline would be affected if an injured serviceman had the right to sue for negligence. But to buttress the discipline argument, ministers claim that conferring such legal rights would create anomalies, blithely disregarding the basic anomaly that servicemen are denied a right given to other comparable public servants. If police or firemen are injured, they get the same invaliding pension as servicemen, but in addition they can sue for negligence.

As a last resort, ministers point out that servicemen may not be able to prove negligence. Maybe not. But perhaps some of them can, and that should be for the courts to decide. To justify Section 10, the Ministry of Defence would have to prove that there as no negligence in the Forces, and since this is patently absurd, they should allow the courts to decide when it occurs.

In Martin Kettrick's case, a senior NCO was severely reprimanded for his part in the accident. While that is not conclusive proof of negligence, it is important evidence which ought to be asserted by a court.

Section 10 was enacted in 1947, just after a devastating world war, and it is perhaps understandable that individual rights were not accorded the highest priority. Today, despite commitments such as Northern Ireland, or involvements such as the Faiklands, our servicemen protect us as a deterrent force rather than an active one. In these circumstances, Section 10 is an unjust and unnecessary part of the Crown Proceedings Act. By supporting it the Ministry of Defence is acting against the interests of individual servicemen. For no real gain, except administrative convenience, it is creating resentment among disabled ex-servicemen.

Ministers should seek forthwith the restoration of the legal right to sue for negligence, except during military action. If they are unable to bring themselves to act in this reasonable way, they should at least establish the principle of generous discretionary payments to servicemen whose lives have been shattered by the negligence of others.

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Bernard Levin: the way we live now

Pass the broken phone, I want to pray

see that British Telecom is about to offer the public the consolations of religion in the form of a Dial-a-Prayer service. Oh. good; I shall be first in the queue for it, and my prayer will be that British Telecom should let me have a copy of the L-R London Directory, for which I have een asking regularly and frequently for more than five months, and that they should send somebody to replace my broken telephone, which I have now been asking them to do, at even more frequent intervals, for three months.

Other, more gullible, folk believed that when the telephone and postal services were separated, one or the other, or even both, would become, if not efficient (too much to hope for), at any rate less implacably indifferent to the wishes of the paying public. Not I, though; whatever else I am suffering from at their hands, it is not disappointment, for no man can be disap-pointed not to get what he never expected. A Dial-a-Prayer service British Telecom can provide; special phones in the form of Mickey Mouse are readily available; I dare tales in Urdu if you know the right number; but one thing we shall not get from them is the smallest trace, on the part of the people who run the thing, of a willingness to do the work they are paid for, and for which they fleece their customers.

There is a crucial qualification in that paragraph; it is the people who run the thing who can't be bothered to work for their wages. Whenever a telephone engineer manages to extract the news that his skills are needed by a subscriber, it is my experience that he provides them, cheerfully and expeditiously, just as the destruction of the postal service has been achieved elsewhere than at doorstep level; who ever met an unpleasant or incompetent post-

My telephone problem, incidentally, is hardly the most intractable ever heard of, the damaged instrument is the plug-in type, so all they need to do is to bring a new handset and plug it in. But for those "in charge" of British Telecom, there is no distinction between great problems and small, for their response to news of a need on the part of the customers is identical whatever the nature of the need: amusement, tinged with genuine outrage, at our presumption. This, of course, is the attitude they clearly took with them (leaving plenty behind) when they left the Post Office; that noisome institution has always believed that and the sooner all the nuisances can be got rid of the quicker the Post Office can go back to sleep.

Do not comfort yourself with the thought that these attitudes are the exclusive province of the public sector, or if you do, allow me to introduce my laundry, hight Brook Green, of west London. On January 10 they lost the belt of a rather pretty cotton bathrobe in purple check thus rendering it useless at a stroke, for it

'I find myself writing notes of thanks to accompany my payment of the bill - merely because I have got what I paid for'

has no buttons or other fastening. My letter of gentle remonstrance was first denied ("We're trying to trace it") and when admitted, ignored. It true that at some time in the history of the matter they tele-phoned to say that they had made me up a belt "to match", in white towelling, but when I reminded them that the bathrobe was neither towelling nor white, they apologized most charmingly and thereupon entirely lost interest in the subject: at any rate I have never heard another word, and my letter remains unanswered. And I am still owed a rather pretty cotton bathrobe in

I have noticed, and I have noticed my friends and acquaintances noticing, that when an individual, organization or firm with whom we have dealings of a purely commercial character carries out our instructions, or meets our expressed wishes, correctly and quickly, it is matter for delight, praise and discussion; we ring each other up (those of us with telephones that are not broken, that is) to announce the back and Sydes have managed to deliver the fish-fingers at their very first attempt, or that we have heard of a firm of solicitors who not only understand their clients' legal problems but frequently solve them. Indeed, it goes further, I find myself - and in this, too, I am not by any means unique - writing notes of thanks and congratulations to accompany my payment of the bill, merely because I have got what I wanted, ordered and paid for.

Paid for, I am not asking anything

of British Telecom that is not in my contract with them. I have paid them good money for, among other things, a telephone-directory, and I am being swindled out of more money in the form of the telephone calls I am making to try to get them to honour the contract. As for the broken instrument, I am not so foolish as to believe that they will repair or replace it free, nor do I propose to insist that they should. But I believe that I am justified in requiring that they should repair or replace it, and should stop ignoring my requests that they do so. And, foolish as to think that a laundry will never lose its customers' garments, but nor am I so feeble as to find acceptable the behaviour I have

The clue lies in the attitude I have described; the widespread feeling of surprise and pleasure when somebody does what he or she is paid to do. The decline of efficiency is widespread and very marked, and is not to be confused with nostalgia; whether summers used to be warmer or caviar oilier depends only on truly subjective judgments, but although it is difficult to measure efficiency it is not quite impossible, and I have no doubt at all that it has materially diminished.

Why? I must brace myself, in giving a tentative answer, for barrow-loads of accusations that I wish to send small children up chimneys (first inducing rickets in them) and revive the practice of flogging miscreants at the cart-tail before having them transported to Australia. All the same, I believe that the almost complete elimination of any penalty for inefficiency



increase. In organizations like British Telecom and the Post Office it must now be virtually unthinkable for anyone to be rebuked, let alone demoted, for failing without excuse to carry out an allotted task, and elsewhere, to lesser but still very significant extent, the same picture can be seen.

No same person, surely, can do anything but deplore the apparently immutable truth about human nature which decrees that human beings need disincentives for failure as well as incentives for success. But since it is apparently immutable, it can do nobody any good to behave as though it is not only mutable, but already muted.

A year or two or three ago, I had a run-in with the folk who run Heathrow. (Mr Compositor, if you wish to insert an "i" in "run", please feel free.) My complaint was that I had filled in no fewer than four of the cards they provide at the airport for comments, complaints, queries id suggestions from the passenger all four asking the same question, but that I had never received any reply at all, though I had put my name and address, as requested, on the card. I therefore deduced that the cards were simply thrown away when collected, and having deduced it said it

The charge was denied with heat nay, with fervour. Shock, horror and amazement were expressed at the very idea. Their one desire, they insisted, was to attend with all possible dispatch to their customers' wishes. The cards, they insisted, were treated as though each one was a Rembrandt drawing. The staff were instructed to wear clean white gloves before handling them. It was a tragedy of an inexpressibly sad nature that all four of mine had unaccountably been lost.

I was much impressed by all this concern. But I noticed that nowhere in the defence and explanation was any interest expressed in just what I had put on the cards, and from that day to this they have never troubled to inquire what it was that had been bothering me. I rest my case.

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slice of constituencies with a high previous Liberal vote. But the SDP

had the larger slice of seats in which

Crewe's figures suggested there was an above average chance of an

improvement on past Liberal

Curtice and Steed also sugges

that when the results come through,

the allocation may not turn out to

have been all that important in

determining the balance of power in

a future Alliance parliamentary party. They say that the geographical

spread of the Alliance vote and the

relative strengths of the major parties will have more influence on

the numbers than the negotiations.

Their calculations suggest that the larger the national Conservative

lead over Labour, the fewer seats the

1981 opinion polls, the more likely

performance.

Teddy Taylor

Pastures new for the rates man

The story of agricultural derating is a very strange one. It is clear that no government of any party would choose to reverse the arrangement whereby agriculture alone among British industries makes no contribution whether was the score of bution whatsoever to the costs of local government, but what is not so clear is why the rest of industry and commerce is unwilling to use the agricultural exemption as a means of pressing government to reform the rating system, which is undoubtedly harsh and inequitable and is driving many firms towards bankruptcy.

Agricultural derating was intro-duced in 1929 as a modest gesture to alleviate appalling agricultural de-pression at a time when no other. means of support was available. Rates at that time were a modest burden, but since then rates have soared and the structure of agriculture has been revolutionized.

But far from reducing concession, Parliament in 1971 extended the definition of agricultural buildings so that the concession now also applies to what are loosely referred to as factory farm operations (like chicken battery systems) as well as to buildings used by farm syndicates and cooperat-ives. Soon after that, case law extended the exemption to fish farming as well.

The cash involved in the concession is now very substantial indeed. The official estimate is that rateable values of around £200m are involved and that the cash loss to local authorities is in the region of f250m.
The continuance of the anomaly

is puzzling in view of the repeated calls for change. The Layfield Royal Commission of 1976, for example, stated that there was "no good reason" why agricultural derating should continue. Even the recent allparty select committee, which was primarily concerned with domestic rates, went out of its way to call for further study.

Some of the reasons advanced by governments for retaining the status quo have been illogical to say the least. The last Labour government argued that to rate agriculture would involve substantial time and, expense in deploying valuation officers. A strange argument indeed when we consider that there is no shortage of resources in employing armies of valuation officers to chas round private dwellings to add sums of between £5 and £20 to valuations to take account of minor improvements or modifications.

So agricultural derating is as secure as the monarchy. Yet the rest of British industry has been reluctant to use the agricultural anomaly as an argument against its own intolerable rates burden, Industry and commerce have to bear more

Few can deny that rates an against the principle of regional development because there are numerous examples of high rates being levied in areas suffering from above average unemployment. No do rates fortadostry have any regard to ability to pay – there is no rehate system for adustry and commence. But the agricultural exemption opens up a whole new field of

argument. Our main industries are protected from foreign competition by very modest import duties ranging from nil to about 10 per cent. But agriculture enjoys massive tariff protection: CAP guaranted prices, of average, are about twice the world level. In the case of sugar the current import levy is about 200 per cent

Most industries have to fight with tenactify for a market for their product at home and abroad and there is no guaranteed level of sale. But: in the case of agriculture (with the paception of quota limitations on dominodities like sugar) there is a fight and costly guarantee that all items produced will be purchased themselver the sale of the purchased through intervention. If the products cannot then be sold, they are disposed of at knockdown prices in the Third World or in the Soviet Union - the current daily cost of such subsidies for the EEC as a thole is £7m per day In the case of erishable products in horticulture the central purchasers destroy the products if there is not a market for

Industry enjoys only a limited amount of government investment or other aid, and much of this is concentrated in development or special development areas. By comparison, there is a wide range of special aids for agriculture throughout the nation.

So why should industry and

commerce not enjoy the same rating privileges as agriculture?

The simple way to achieve this would be for the share of rates contributed by industry and commerce to be raised through national taxation, it would mean, of course higher national tax levels, but at least the cash would be raised in a

The injustices of rating have carried on for too long. They are crippling a major slice of industry and commerce. And it seems at least reasonable that our factories and shops should be offered the same privileges as have been enjoyed by griculture, one of Britan's most otected and prosperous industries. the author is Conservative MP for Southend, East.

James Curran

Putting BL and Britain back on the road

The dispute at British Leyland's Cowley plant reveals a tough, old fashioned management at work. It was triggered by the gung-ho decision to withdraw the washing time" Cowley workers have had for 40 years without offer of financial compensation. This was the culmination of a series of authoritarian measures in which "wets" were weeded out from management and a leading shop steward sacked, ostensibly for co-authoring a pamphlet that argued against management plans. Since 1980, shop-floor partici-

provocative minimum. The angry response of Cowley workers to the management's ultimatum on washing time reflects the accumulation of pent-up anger and frustration that has turned even the exceedingly moderate and conciliatory local union leader, David Buckle, into an angry militant. It also reflects the sharp increase in demand for BL's cars which, if sustained, is likely to encourage BL's workforce to try to turn the tables on management from a position of

pation in decision-making at BL has

been pared down to an insulting and

greater bargaining strength. This Indian wrestling style of industrial relations is undermining the British economy. A succession of comparative studies - the latest being that of Dr Sig Prais - shows that output per worker in manufacturing industry in Britain is between 20 per cent and 50 per cent below that in France and West Germany. and even lower by comparison with the United States.

This is not simply the consequence of backward technology, and the historically low level of investment in British industry. Output per worker with comparable plant and equipment is generally lower in Britain than in other developed industrial economies. A major cause of Britain's poor performance is, therefore, the way in which work is organized and performed.

The government's response to this problem has been to assist managements to impose decisions on their employees by undermining in a variety of ways the position of trade unions. The evidence suggests that this strategy has not succeeded in increasing efficiency relative to our trading rivals. According to government statistics, output per person hour in manufacturing industry has increased by only 5.9 per cent since this government was elected, compared with 9.7 per cent during the corresponding period of time that preceded it. While the disappointing performance under this government is partly attributable to the cyclical movement in output, there is no empirical justification for believing that there has been any kind of breakthrough in productivity.

Since previous administrations have also not been very successful in promoting greater industrial efficiency, it is worth considering a new approach. The need for fresh published in Parliamentary Affairs | thinking is underlined by the wealth of academic evidence, thoughtfully reviewed by Geoffrey Hodgson m the Combridge Journal of Economics (1982) which shows that workfore participation in decisionmaking | generally increases productivity
The new social contract unveiled

last month by the TUC and the Labour Pirty in its joint manifesto, Partners in Rebuilding Britain, was examined by the media largely in terms of what it said about an incomes policy. This explains why the most incresting thing about it the fact that it represents an historic shift away from state socialism to decentralized economic democracy - was largely overlooked. Whereas previous Labour governments have seen economic planning largely at a

centralized state activity, Labour's new programme would give ordi-nary people a kay at every level of decision-making in the economy. In the first place, it would give workers guaranteed access to com-pany information usually denied them, the right to be consulted on key decisions and the right to be represented through trade unions at all levels of the management hierarchy, including a 50 per cent representation of the board of directors of large companies. This proposed revolution in industrial relations would be a gradual one in that it would be based on existing union and management structures and would be developed at the pare desired by the workspree of different

This workers' charter at company level is part of a wider power-sharing plan in which a new ministry and a national planning council (a becird-up Neddy) would be appointed for coordinating development plans for major companies indicating and the major companies, industries and the government, management and unions. In this way workers and management representatives from the grass roots upwards would be involved in taking major stratego decisions over output, incomes investment, prices and profits in process of negotiation that expanded the normal agenda of collective

These new proposals have been attacked by some right-wing Labour MPs who are committed to old-style state planning, and by some left wing unionists who fear they lead to the inforporation of militants into the capitalist process and introduce a conventional income policy through the back door. But the new proposals enjoy none the less widespread support among both the left ind the right in the Labour moviment.

Those who reject this programme on the grounds that it would give the unions more power are merely giving vent to the visceral antagen isms that now shape the disastrous industrial relations at BL. The author is Editor of New

George Brock puts the Alliance electoral carve-up in perspective

How the SDP may have won the golds allocation, it shows that the Liberals had indeed walked off with the best

between the Social Democrats and the Liberals formally concluded the Alliance constituency allocation last year, common wisdom held that the Liberals had won the lion's share. But had they? In an analysis to be published on Friday, two political scientists challenge that wisdom.

John Curtice of Nuffield College, Oxford, and Michael Steed Manchester University think that the SDP is better placed to win a higher proportion of seats than was originally thought. They analysed the allocated seats not only against the Liberal results in 1979 - and the Liberals were granted the great majority of seats in which they had been closest to victory, the so-called "golden" seats - but also against the major party votes in the 1979

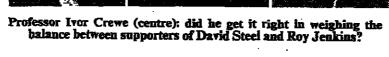
The comparison revealed that the SDP was allocated a disproportionate number of constituencies in which the major party holding the seat had a relatively small share of the vote. Of 87 Labour seats where the winning vote came to less than half the votes cast, the SDP will contest 61 and the Liberals 26. The SDP has been allocated two-thirds of the seats in which the Conservative lead over Labour was narrowest

If the balance between the major parties remains level in these marginals, the proportion of the vote necessary to win will be lower PHS than in seats where an Alliance









candidate is starting from second place in what is effectively a twoparty fight. Curtice and Steed cite Roy Jenkins's victory at Hillhead with 33.4 per cent of the vote in a three-and-a-half party contest, and contrast it with John Pardoe's defeat in north Cornwall in 1979 with 44 per cent of the vote.

They suggest that local Liberal egotiators may have been dazzled by the superficial attractions of scats where the Liberal vote was above the national average last time but overlooked the fact that it may not be easy to push up further. In doing so, they may have allowed the SDP a larger share of seats which may in the end be better prospects.

The SDP negotiators were working with the help of an analysis written by Professor Ivor Crewe of Essex University of opinion polls in 1981 covering 40,000 voters. The results provided the most detailed picture then available of the social

Alliance will win if their overall vote is anywhere within the expected range. They conclude: "The more the Alliance vote is simply the Liberal vote at a higher level, the more likely is a Liberal lead in seats The closer the Alliance's vote comes to the sort of pattern shown in the

it is that the SDP's disproportionate share of certain types of constitugeography of Alliance support.
Matched against the final seat

ency will guarantee it parity." Turning dreams into reality: the division of constituencies between the Liberals and Social Democrats, by John Curtice and Michael Steed, is

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THE WAGES OF FUDGE

doing some arm-twiting to good vote against the ide of wage restraint under this or any other government. But nothing will be Party Liaison Committee
The arm-twisting was necess-

ary because the ScottishTUC is traditionally a left-wing strong-hold and the statement by been seen as providing the entryo of needed an incomes policy, which is success" anathema to the left. Without a It mi little pressure from the tel there would in all probability have been some dispute over the statement at Rothesay The British trade union laders, however, believe that it is ritical to preserve the credibility of the assessment proposal in the run-up to an election. So the difficulties north of the order this week have a wider ignifi-

cance for the Labour moviment.
How far it is right to incrpret the document as the first tep to another incomes policy is lebatable. It certainly provides basis upon which an incomespolicy could subsequently b con-

The heavyweights of the trade provide for such a policy. It and their ability to carry their union movement have been could just as easily be regarded own members with them in any as an innocuous form of words reffect at the Scotish TUC designed to create the illusion conference. It is now generally that there would not be a wage accepted that the concrence will explosion under a Labour government.

The document proposes that there should be a regular done at Rothesay to cast a National Economic Assessment shadow over the proposal for a drawn up by representatives of National Economic Assessment the government and both sides that was put forwar in the of industry, which would propolicy statement, Pamers in duce "an agreed statement on Rebuilding Britain, published the framework within which last month by the TUC-Labour decisions will be made on investment, prices, employment and pay". It goes on to say that "this will mean that bargaining can take place in an atmosphere of wider recognition of what is needed for national economic

It might be that in such an atmosphere there would be agreement on the need for national guidelines or norms on pay: but then there might not. Nothing that Mr Foot said when launching the document suggested that there would be. It might be that in such an atmosphere of collective responsibility there would be a leaders. general recognition of the need for a somewhat less precise form of pay restraint. That would certainly be the hope of the Labour ministers: but it would be no more than a hope. Whether it was realized would depend upon the attitude of structed, but it does no itself trade union leaders at the time return of inflation.

degree of restraint that they thought desirable.

Under a Labour government a deliberate policy of wage restraint would be more necessary than it is now because some of the other disciplines would be removed. The principal reason why the unions have come to accept a much lower level of pay increases has been fear of unemployment. Whoever is in office over the next few years, unemployment is likely to remain disturbingly high. But whereas the present Government has pursued tight fiscal and monetary policies, a Labour administration would indulge in massive reflation.

This would be inflationary, even if wages were kept under control. Yet such official liberality might well seem a positive invitation to a wage explosion. In such circumstances, Labour ministers would no doubt soon be calling for restraint, but these would be conditions in which it would be harder for union whatever their own personal assessments, to persuade their members to respond. So while the left may reasonably fear that Labour economic strategy would lead to renewed calls for an incomes policy, the rest of us would have more reason to be afraid of the

WHOWILL POUND THE LONGEST?

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we would do next." of Syrian connivance.

doubt that the bject of the outrage was to produce just such American leaders have been wise

Many criticisms have been made despite his original misgivings of Senator Barry Goldfater in about sending US forces to the past, but few peopl would Lebanon, that a decision to pull have thought him the nen to be them out now would "send an intimidated by terrorim. He unfortunate signal to terrorists". himself cannot cleary have Indeed, to speak as Senator inought out the implications of Goldwater has is virtually to what he was saying then he invite further attacks on the reacted to the news of the multinational force. To within the merican draw the force now would imply embassy in Beirut by spring, "it's a lamentable lack of resolve on

That would have dangerous marine killed I don't how what implications throughout the world, and especially in the One cannot be sure et who is Middle East itself. American responsible for the artick on the prestige there is already low, embassy. The trails of violence after the failure of the Reagan in Lebanon are so thekly crisscrossed that one prolably never shrugged off, to the extent that it will be - which of courselis was only a proposal and the precisely why Lebanon is such a Americans can always blame the popular place for three who seek intransigence of those who have to make political joints with rejected it. But in Lebanon violence but without acknow- the American commitment goes ledging their handivork. In this further, The Reagan administracase the most likely uspect is an tion has set itself the definite Iranian or pro-Iranian soup, goal of obtaining the withdrawal presumably acting with a legree of all foreign forces from Lebanon and the restoration of But there cannot be much full authority and sovereignty to the Israeli-Lebanese withdrawal the Lebanese state.

The multinational force is a reaction as senator Gold-there as an earnest of that water's, and fortunately most commitment, to help raise the Lebanese security forces to the chough to see this Senator level required and to maintain Howard Baker roiced a wide- security for civilians in the area spread view when he said, of Lebanon from which foreign forces.

forces withdraw. Because it has this clearly defined mission, and above all because it is there by invitation of the Lebanese government, the multinational force is not itself a "foreign" force in this sense.

"Foreign forces" means those which, whatever their original pretext for being in Lebanon, have now clearly outstayed their welcome: Palestinian forces, Syrian forces and Israeli forces in particular. Iranian forces now deserve mention as well, although they are not there in sufficient strength to mount an independent challenge to Lebanese authority. They are there by courtesy of the Syrians and, since last August, the same could be said of the Palestinian the multinational force leaves before they do it will not have fulfilled its mandate.

America reacted very properly to the attack on her embassy by attending yesterday's session of talks at Khalde. Of course there must be a reaction on the technical security level as well. But the only appropriate politi-cal reaction is to maintain, and if possible increase, the pressure for a withdrawal of foreign

THE IMBALANCE IN BASKET THREE

The Conference on Scurity and border controls and the jamming Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) resumed yesterday at 'a time when the fire flor of people and information promised under its principles is far less in under its principlesis far less in lation, not yet widely "infected" by the Polish desease. flow of expelled spes, diplomats, journalists and jourists. The Soviet delegation has not surprisingly intimated that it regards as an "accertable basis for negotiation" the compromise agreement presented before the recess by the to neutral and non-aligned nations, a proposal criticized by the West as inadequate on humn rights. Basket Three covering cooperation in humanitarian fields was included in the CSCE Final Act signed at the Felsinki summit in 1975 only afer strong Soviet opposition, 2d its principles have continued to be violated in both letter and spirit by the Warsaw Pact egimes.

The expulsion from Leningrad of the British tourist Edward Chick, accised of spreading literature histile to the Soviet system, was not related to the recent series of expulsions by both East and West, but to a determined KGB campaign to ment in the Soviet Union. The destine builtein, is a majo: KGB ists would remain at liberty were target for suppression. Tight such an attitude to become

of Western broadcasts to the USSR are aimed at preventing the further dissemination of such information to the Soviet popu-

That martial law has failed to effect a cure acceptable to Moscow is evident not only in the police harassment of Lech Walesa. The Polish authorities fear that May 1st will be the occasion for genuine worker demonstrations in support of Solidarity rather than state controlled processions, and the massive police presence in the streets and squares of Poland is intended as a strong warning to Solidarity organizers. The Polish media have again been gagged, and honest journalists have been dismissed or have themselves resigned.

Last week security police in Warsaw arrested four more people involved in clandestine Radio Solidarity broadcasts, and secret printing shops were discovered in several cities. Radio Solidarity went on the air a year ago this month with brief broadcasts on current events and suppress dissidents associated reports on the persecution of free with the courageous effort to trade union organizers and form a feetrade union move- sympathizers. Several arrested broadcasters have already been information on low living stan-dards, poor working conditions and political protest by workers, which has reached the West fostered social anxiety and through the movement's clan- public unrest"; few good journal-

widespread among governments. There has been fittle real "titfor-tat" in the recent cycle of East-West expulsions. France and Britain expelled Soviet agents posing as diplomats and journalists; the USSR has expelled an air attache and a journalist doing no more than pursuing their normal duties. Of course, a perceptive journalist such as Mr Anthony Robinson of the Financial Times sending sound information and analysis on the realities of life in USSR is always at risk of expulsion for what the authorities term "impermissible

The subsequent removal from Britain of a Third Secretary at the Soviet Embassy who was not accused of spying was retali-ation of a sort. But a firm response is the only sure way of making the Soviet leaders understand that they have gone too far in promoting the free flow of British secrets. The Soviet withdrawal of a visa to visit the USSR this week from Lord Bethell, the Conservative MEP well known for his condemnation of the Soviet record on human rights, is a different matter. Here too the emphasis is on suppressing human contacts between East and West Europe. Meanwhile, in the USSR dozens of members of the Helsinki monitoring groups are serving long prison sentences for publicizing violations of the CSCE by their government. There is still much to be discussed at Madrid.

counties are ever in contention for have the twofold advantage of allowing more competitive matches

Yours faithfully, CONRAD FREE Woodville,

and at the same time ensure batting

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

BL lessons still to be learned

From Mr G. H. B. Cattell

Sir, It is almost 10 years (June 13, 1973) since you published my letter on production-line monotony in the car industry. Judging by the present outbreaks of unrest in the motor industry we have still much to learn about the art of managing people employed on work which most of us would find not merely monotonous but intolerable, without personal commitment to the objectives and participation in the rewards of

The management of BL must be right in striving for the elimination of working practices which raise unit labour costs above those of their competitors. Management objectives and strategy cannot be questioned if profit is the purpose, as it must be. It is surely management tactics which have led

Sir Michael Edwardes has come

and gone, after considerable achievement but without leaving much evidence of that style of management which can achieve the desired results, whatever the social and economic conditions. That is a management approach which rests ultimately on the consent of the managed, not on the consent or approval of the trade union officials.

The principal function of a trade union is to offer its members protection against exploitation by employers. Trade union officials are lependent on a substantial membership. The appeal of union membership is greatest where employees fear exploitation, or where they do not feel identified with the purpose of the enterprise and involved in its aims and progress.

The present confrontation is between management and unions. The solution is to be found in cooperation between management

and other employees; in today's From Mr K. D. Jamieson jargon, through employee partici-

pation and involvement. The principal shareholder in BL is now the state. The taxpayer therefore has the right to ask whether his investment is in the hands of managers sensitive enough and skilful enough to obtain an acceptable return on that investment. The massive loss of production in the last few weeks must put that in question. It will now take many months of working shifts, without the three minutes washingup time allowance, to restore output to the level it would have reached

without this dispute. The key to employee participation and involvement is employee interest. If Britain is to have a competitive car industry the competing firms must have shareholders and managers able to interest employees in the company's performance against foreign competitors. Consent to change in working practices is much more likely from people involved in the purpose of the enterprise, and people who know they will participate in its success.

Neither confrontation nor cooperation between management and trade union officials will secure the future of BL. Whatever the outcome of the dialogue between senior management and trade union representatives, the issue will turn on whether or not the majority of the people in BL believe that the success of their company will bring reward for them. It must surely be time to involve managers and managed as shareholders. Yours faithfully,

G. H. B. CATTELL, Little Cheveney, Yalding,

Venereal disease

From Dr John Seale

Sir, Is there a new VD epidemic? London Weekend Television (April said it is almost out of control in London, where nearly half the 500,000 new cases per year in England are treated.

According to the Chief Medical Officer of the DHSS in his annual report, On the State of the Public Health, "the number of new attendances at the (VD) clinics has been increasing since the early 1950s and in 1980 there were for the first time more than 500,000 new cases" (pp50 and 52).

The tables in the annual report

(p53) show that the number of new cases was 458,979 and not in excess of "half a million" as the Chief Medical Officer wrote in the text (p3). Furthermore, the DHSS has aken a "new attendance" to be synonymous with a "new case". A case, however, is not a person. If a person attends the clinic on one effective occupying powers. If and a crab louse the DHSS classifies this as three new cases and also, surprisingly, as three new attendanc-

> The resulting double-counting in individual clinics averages 30 per cent (British Journal of Venereal Disease, 1981, 57,285). The 459,000 new cases represented 353,000 new persons attending clinics; 107,123 were cases of a sexually transmitted disease called "other conditions not

requiring treatment in a centre", which is "bureaucratese" for no sexually transmitted disease.

These new cases were physically healthy but often terrified people visiting the clinic for reassurance or as contacts of other patients.

Ten thousand and forty three cases had genital herpes, a virus infection similar to labial herpes (cold sores) but, because of mediainduced anxiety, now a common cause of intense distress, marital disharmony and sometimes death by suicidal depression.

The only two diseases which can be correctly categorised as VD, because of their mode of transmission and their disastrous effects if untreated, are gonorrhoea and syphilis. There is no new epidemic of these diseases.

In 1980 there were 54,433 new cases of gonorrhoea, a decrease of 1,000 on 1971, and fewer than in the early 1940s. In 1980 there were 4,059 new cases of syphilis, an increase of 1,000 over 1971, but less one mun The incidence of VD in the UK has remained remarkably constant over the last decade and is less than it was 40 years ago.

The new VD epidemic is a myth, but the fear of VD is not; and fear itself can be deadly. Yours truly, JOHN SEALE, 78 Harley Street, NW1.

Aid to Third World

From the Directors of Christian Aid and the Catholic Fund for Overseas Development

Sir, Professors Bauer and Yamev sav (April 11) that aid cannot significantly promote Third World development and does not relieve poverty in the Third World. May we take issue with both of those statements?

What do Bauer and Yamey mean by significantly? If they mean that the volume of aid from all sources is insignificant by comparison with the need for it then few would cavil at their statement. But this does not seem to be what they want to argue. Rather, they seem to argue that because some resources are misdirected and because some countries have been able to achieve high rates of growth without large aid flows it follows that "aid cannot signifi-

cantly promote ... development".

The conclusion simply doesn't follow from the argument. Where domestic savings and/or foreign exchange are the major constraint on economic growth (which Bauer and Yamey evidently equate with development) then the provision of the resources to breach this bottleneck will - and historically have increase the rate of economic

Bauer and Yamey dispute the power of donors to "effectively question the economic policies and general conduct of the governments receiving aid". Having taken part in those discussions from both sides of the table we can only say that that is simply not true. So far from conditionality being politically "taboo" bilateral and multilateral donors are, in fact, able to change economic policies. Agricultural pricing policies in Zambia and the subsidies paid to nationalised industries in Sri Lanka are both well known, well documented cases. Why do Bauer and Yamey want to dismiss them?

That too much official aid has not had an immediate effect on the very poorest people in developing countries is something that we would condemn as readily as Bauer and Yamey. But that is an argument about the quality of aid, not about the fact of aid. It is also a more complicated argument about the distributional impact of marginal expenditures about which generalisation is exceedingly difficult. One might reasonably expect two pro-fessors of the LSE to acknowledge both the complexity of the issue and the ambiguity of the evidence. Yours faithfully,

CHARLES ELLIOTT, Director, Christian Aid, JULIAN FILOCHOWSKI,

Catholic Fund for Overseas Development, PO Box No 1, SW9.

Saluting New York

From the Director General of The British Council

Sir, In fairness to the British taxpayer and to the British Council I must point out an error in Christopher Thomas's article on "Britain salutes New York" (Spectrum, April 13).

Enormous credit is due to Mr Lloyd-Jacob and private enterprise for raising between \$3m and \$4m to mount this arts festival, but unfortunately Mr Thomas is incorrect in stating that not a penny has come from the taxpayers of Britain.

The British Council, on behalf of the British taxpayer, has contributed £80,000 to the festival to help ensure that it is truly representative of British art today. Without this modest input some of Britain's more adventurous contemporary arts, which are less attractive to business sponsors, would not have been

British Council support has ensured the appearance of the London Contemporary Dance Theatre, the Fires of London, the Actors Touring Company, the Joint 13-14 Little Britain, EC1. Stock Theatre Company, the Mike April 17.

Westbrook Orchestra, the Stan Tracey Quartet and a variety of contemporary art and craft exhibitions. They will reflect lively, humorous and creative aspects of

has, subsidised the Henry Moore exhibition and its financial support for foreign tours by both the Royal Ballet and the London Symphony Orchestra has ensured their presence in New York.

JOHN BURGH, Director General, The British Council 10 Spring Gardens, SW1. April 13.

War widows' visits

Sir, The cost of transporting war widows to other foreign fields is a consequential cost of the 1939 war and should be met at once, although 30 years late, whilst there are people who wish to go.

Lack of reserve in the Armed Forces

Sir, Your second leader ("Uniform opportunities," April 15) makes the important point that, compared with other Nato countries, Britain's Armed Forces lack reserves to back them up. You express the hope that the young people lucky enough to get a place in Mr Heschine's new scheme could, although only halftrained, form the basis of a reserve force in depth.

If war should come the main requirement for a large body of people with some, but not professional military training is likely to be in supplementing the defence of Britain's home base. There thus seems to be a link between Mr Heseltine's scheme and the imaginative proposals recently advanced by Lord Hill-Norton and others for the creation of a volunteer part-time Home Defence Force. Those who have had their year's training would be the natural cadres, if they so wished, for this new force.

It is not enough to "respond to a national call to arms" once battle has been joined. To be effective and to have any deterrent effect home defence has to be organized in advance. The logical next step for the Government, therefore, is to build on their present scheme by implementing the Defence Begins at Home proposals on a pilot-scheme basis.

Yours faithfully, KENNETH JAMIESON, Mill Hill House, Bucks Green. Rudgwick, West Sussex.

April 15.

From Mr Garry A. Ettle Sir, I am saddened by the enthusiasm of your leader (April 15) for the Government's proposed military service opportunity for the young unemployed

The problem of youth unemployment which gave rise to this idea demands sincere and urgent attention without any doubt. However, is the non-military sector of our

of sight?

is some sincerity behind this proposal, but I also suspect that its relative economy played an equal part, not to mention the consistency such an idea shows, "character-building" as it may be, with Mrs Thatcher's yearnings for Victorian values.

society so bereft of opportunity now

that military training, however

augmented, is seen as yet another hole into which we can place this

embarrassing, wasted generation out

I am willing to believe that there

It is, I believe, a reflection on a Britain which now depends heavily on a defence industry favoured to the detriment of the civil sector. We have also won a "war", and for some the elation has overshadowed the

training to our young unemployed is in keeping with such a society. The real question is, when this

Of course they will also now know how to use a gun; but who will the enemy be?

Yours sincerely, G. A. ETTLE, 67 Greenore Street,

From Dr Margaret E. Wood

Yours etc. MARGARET E. WOOD. 11 Roundwood Drive, Welwyn Garden City,

Politics and CABs

From Mr John Ross

referred to by Gerard Vaughan when he told the House of Commons (Parliamentary Report, April 13) about his measures to control the national Citizens' Advice Bureaux. He mentioned me because I had resigned my chairmanship over the increasingly political stance of the central organization of the CAB.

Since then some leading lights in the CAB have accused me of "smearing" the organization. I wish to repudiate this allegation.

Like thousands of other volun-teers I have worked in CAB for very many years and two members of my family were paid workers of the agency in London. I would hate to the organization smeared or chief among them is the direct denigrated.

My criticism is limited and very specific. It is made to help and not to undermine the CAB. Workers at the local level are devoted and excellent and, judging by what many of my colleagues say, this specially

Indian Parliament and my husband, who as William Wedgwood Benn had been Secretary of State for India from 1929-1931, were discussing with hindsight the early years of the civil disobedience campaign. My husband spoke of the distaste and reluctance with which the Labour Government of that day had imprisoned the Mahatma and countless numbers of his supporters in the necessary interests of public order, while they themselves un-swervingly supported the ultimate aims of Congress for self-govern-ment. When he spoke of this attitude as one widely shared here at

l quote his generous words: "Gandhi was inseparable from the British. A dictator would have

MARGARET STANSGATE. 10 North Court, Great Peter Street, SW1.

ILEA budget

Sir, David Walker gives a singularly misleading account of the Inner London Education Authority's budget in his article on April 12.

He also fails to mention something which was spelt out clearly to inner Londoners in the ILEA newspaper from which he gets his information - that if central government had restored its ratesupport grant to the authority this year the ILEA rate would have been cut by more than 6p. ILEA is the only education authority which does not get any rate-support grant from

These are all factors which feed militarism and to offer military

generation of young people has passed through this new scheme, will they have any more chance of utilising any trades they have learnt? Or will they follow the thousands from other such schemes and be left with only their disillusionment?

Sir, We are concerned about the increasing number of criminals who carry arms, yet we are proposing to train annually 5,000 unemployed young men and women in the use of weapons and then release them on the community after a year.

It is the group of people who run the Greater London and the national

level who are diluting the function. I

do not doubt that they are sincere in

their belief that many problems brought to the CAB might be mitigated by legislative changes. Furthermore, I believe that if they identify such needs it is proper that

they should draw attention to them.

But if they want to campaign for them they should take off their CAB

hats and instead don party rosettes

There are many vehicles for political evangelism. CAB should not become yet another one. It has

other, more delicate functions and I

believe they should be paramount;

dedication to the client, which is

what I believe CAB is all about.

Yours faithfully,

JOHN ROSS, 7 Overhill Road,

Purley. Surrey.

or pressure-group badges.

Hertfordshire. April 19.

includes Joan Ruddock, whose name, mysteriously, has become connected with this business.

Sir, I am the "local chairman"

Message of 'Gandhi'

From Lady Stansgate Sir, The distinguished film Gandhi, with the awards and the discussions following on the relations of Britain with India, reminds me of a relevant conversation at which I was present many years ago in Delhi.

Mr Speaker Mavalanka of the home, Mr Mavalanka declared it

had been at the heart of the whole matter. crushed him at the outset!" Yours faithfully,

From Mrs Frances Morrell

In claiming that there are more staff but fewer pupils he mentions the fall in school rolls, but fails to take account of the fact that ILEA is not just a school authority but also has to provide help for the increasing number of older teenagers for whom education offers an alternative to unemployment. In further and higher education ILEA provides a regional service for the whole South-east and we are planning to serve several thousand more further education and adult education students next year.

central Government.

David Walker also ignores the newspaper's explanation of why education is more expensive in inner London than elsewhere. To quote the Government's own edu- 38c Marylebone High Street, W1.

April 16. cation inspectors: "The ILEA is faced with a combination of problems to an extent probably unmatched elsewhere in England

and Wales." In fact the authority's vigorous response to challenges, such as these - overcrowding, poverty, a high proportion of children whose first language is not English and children from one-parent families - is costing ratepayers about one extra penny on the rate precept. Yours faithfully, FRANCES MORRELL,

Deputy Leader, ILEA, The County Hall, SE1. **Christians and Jews**

From Mr Jacob Freund Sir, For clarity's sake, there was a touch of anachronism in your otherwise excellent leader ("Jesus was a Jew", April 2) in applying a modern, essentially secular term, based on racial discrimination, namely antisemitism, to anti-Jewish attitudes and deeds instigated by the Church through the centuries.

Deplorable as it may be, the Christian anti-Jewish dogma presupposed the humanity of the Jew by encouraging him to convert, that is, rejecting, as it were, his faith only. Antisemitism, whether that of Christians or others, assumes an inherent difference or inferiority in

the Jew which cannot be altered. Yours faithfully, JACOB FREUND.

Yarnton Manor, Yarnton, Oxfordshire.

Voices off From Mr W. G. Hodgkinson

Sir, If Mr Alan Tuffin's prediction of the loss of public telephones under private ownership, published in today's issue (report, April 13), turned out to be true, the effect in London anyway would be scarcely

perceptible. As every would-be user knows. many of the kiosks are so well hidden as barely to qualify for the description of "public", and when found it must be better than an evens bet that the equipment will be found to be out of order. As to the annual loss, even a fruit-machine unable to accept coins from willing customers would lose money.

Compare this disaster area, for it is nothing less, with the States, where the privately run system provides its customers most liberally with kiosks which are not only visible, but can generally be relied upon to contain equipment which works, and it is clear that Mr Tuffin has picked the poorest of bases on which to attack the concept of privatization. Yours faithfully.

W. G. HODGKINSON,

County ups and downs From Mr Conrad Free Sir, I read with interest the artice by your cricket correspondent (april 12) and would like to add not my

ship maches, but an extra dinen-sion to the debate. with two sides pelling promoted and Woodville relegated each season.

Many championship matches re
Fach county would thus play 16 Malmesbr rendered meaningless due to the let. four-day county games under this Witshire. That only a limited number of system which would, in my opinion, April 12.

my support for four-day champon-

the championship. Very simply, I would admit one

more county to the championship and divide it into two divisions, each of nine teams. Each team would play the other teams in its division on a home and away basis, with two sides being promoted and

skills were developed with the added time available.

Britain.
In addition the British Council

Yours sincerely

From Mr D. T. Downer

Yours faithfully, D. T. DOWNER

Newberry & Son, of Knebworth;



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COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE
April 19: The Queen, with The
Duke of Edinburgh (Colonel,
Grenadier Guards), this morning
inspected The Queen's Company of the Grenadier Guards, under the command of Major Evelyn Webb-Carter, in the Quadrangle of

Carter, in the Quadrangic of Windsor Castle.
Her Majesty and His Royal Highness, were received by the Lieutenant-Colonel Commanding the Regiment (Colonel Andrew Duncan) and the Commanding Officer of the 1st Butalion (Lieutenant-Colonel Alexander Hermes).

Lady Susan Hussey, Mr Robert ellowes and Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Johnston were in

His Excellency the Dominican Ambassador, His Excellency the New Zealand High Commissioner and Mrs Young, the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland and Mrs Prior, Sir Robert and Lady Armstrong, Sir Charles and Lady Troughton, the Right Reverend Victor Guazzelli, Mr John and Lady Anne Boles and Dr and Mrs John Ashworth have arrived at Windson

Lady Susan Hussey has succeeded the Hon Mary Morrison as Lady in Waiting to The Queen. **BUCKINGHAM PALACE**

April 19: The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Patron of the Riding for the Disabled Association, this morning opened the Elisabeth Curus Centre for Disabled Riders at Bromham Hospital, Bromham, Bedfordshire.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr C. L. L. Glass and Miss L. J. Hamilton

The engagement is announced between Luke, son of Sir Leslie Glass, of Ivington, Herefordshire, and Mrs Pamela Hoyer Millar, of Montrose, Angus, Scotland, and Leonie, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Dundas Hamilton, of Kensington Dundas Hamilton, of Kensington

Mr P. J. Chandler and Miss B. R. Daly

The engagement is announced between Philip John, son of Mr Raymond Chandler and the late Mrs Novello Chandler, and Bridget Julia, daughter of Lady Daly of Winchester, and the late Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Clive Daly, CSI, CIE.

Mr J. W. Bakes and Miss L. S. M. Jones

The engagement is announced between Jefferey, only son of Mr and Mrs V. W. Bakes, of Fishponds, Bristol, and Lesley, daughter of the late Eric Milne Jones, of Wrexham, Clwyd, and of Mrs L. M. Boley, of Brixham, Devon.

and Miss M. A. Lorimer

The engagement is announced between Simon, ony son of Mr Anthony Barnett, of Barnes, London, and Mrs Margaret Hale, of Newcastle, and Melissa, only dangiter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs S. G. Lorimer, of Seale, Surrey.

Mr J. C. Bettermann and Miss L. R. Schofield

The engagement is announced between Christoph, son of Mr and Mrs Hans Bettermann of Goslar, West Germany, and Linda, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Schofield, of Dubai, United Arab Emirates, and Buxton, Derbyshire.

Mr D. Burrell and Miss S. Dennis

The engagement is announced between Donald, son of Mrs Clara Burrell, of New Westminster, British Colombia, Canada, and Saily, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. L.

Mr C. R. Davenhill

The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Mr and Mrs P. A. R. Davenhill, of Bridewell, Bewdley, Worcestershire, and Diana, second daughter of Mr and Mrs G. W. Deterding, of The White Hann Aller, Noorigh White House, Alby, Norwich.

Mr D. J. A. Elliot and Miss L. Franckiya

The engagement is announced between David, younger son of Dr and Mrs P. A. H. Elliot, of Chevening, Rent, and Lilian, elder-daughter of Mr and Mrs Reginald Francklyn, of Avon, Connecticut,

Dr D. Forsythe and Miss C. Gibbins

The marriage of David Forsythe and Catherine Gibbins will take place in Wesley's Chapel, City Road, London, on Saturday, April 22 at 100 cm.

Mr C. T. L. Foster

and Miss C. A. MacLean The engagement is announced between Toby, second son of Mr and Mrs Michael Foster, of Richmond, Surrey, and Carol, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Ronald MacLean of Elstree, Hertfordshire.

Mr J. D. K. Grant and Miss A. M. Lindvall

The engagement is announced between John, elder son of Sheriff and Mrs Douglas Grant, of Drumellan, Maybole, Ayrshire, and Anna, elder daughter of Licatemant-Colonel and Mrs Per Lindvall, of Stallballs Sandall.

Mr R. Hudson and Miss P. M. Christey

The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs W. Hudson, of Badliss Hall, Ardleigh, and Philippa, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. D. Christey, of The Watch House, Dedham, Essex.

Mr L D. Kelson and Miss R. A. Davis

The engagement is announced between Ian, son of Mr and Mrs Donald Kelson, of Pinner, Middle-sex, and Rachel, daughter of Mr and Mrs Owen Oldfield Davis, of Mayfield, Ellisfield, Hampshire.

Mr R. Zatlonkal-Williams

and Miss L Douglas The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mrs Prue Zatloukal-Williams, of Altamira, Chateauneuf de Grasse, France, an the late Mr Gabriel Zatioukal-Williams, and Ione, elder daughter of Mrs David Douglas and the late Captain David Douglas, of Hol-brook House, Heathfield, Sussex.

Her Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Bedfordshire (Lieutenant-Colonel Hanmer Hanbury).

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark

Phillips, Chancellor of the University of London, this afternoon opened the Lady David Gallery of the Percival David Foundation, at the School of Oriental and African Studies, Malet Street, WC1.

Her Royal Highness was received on arrival by the Vice-Chancellor of the University (Professor Randolph

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Philips, was present at a charity evening of greyhound racing in aid of the Leukaemia Research Fund at the White City, London, where Her Royal Highness was received by the Chairman of the Greybound Racing Association (Mr E. J. Aaronson) and the Chairman of the Fund (Viscount

Chelsea).
Miss Victoria Legge-Bourke was in attendance. CLARENCE HOUSE

April 19: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this afternoon unveiled the Foundation Plaque of the Clore Gallery for the Turner Collection at the Tate Gallery. Lady Elizabeth Basset and Sir Martin Gilliat were in attendance

KENSINGTON PALACE April 19: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon today visited Liverpool and was received on Liverpool and was recurved on arrival at Liverpool Airport by Her Majesty's Lieutenant for Merseyside (Wing Commander K. Stoddart).

Her Royal Highness visited the Workshops and Training School of Gostin of Liverpool Limited this

The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, as President of the National Society for the Prevention of Crueity to Children, later attended the Centenary Annual General Meeting of the Liverpool Branch at the Town Hall, Liverpool, and was present this evening at a Reception given for the Society by the Lord Mayor of Liverpool (Councillor Stanley Airey).

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Councillor Stanley Airey.

Queen's Flight, was attended by Mrs KENSINGTON PALACE

April 19. The Duchess of Gloucester, Colonel-in-Chief, today visited Units of the Royal Army Educational Corps, Aldershot. The Hon Mrs Munro was in

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

April 19: The Duke of Kent, Chairman of the National Elec-tronics Council, this morning visited the All-Electronics Show of the Electronics Components Indu try Federation at the Barbican Centre and was later entertained to lunch at Smeaton's Vaults, Chiswell tunch at Smeaton's Vauts, Chiswell Street. His Royal Highness subse-quently took the chair at the General Committee Meeting of the National Electronics Council. Captain John Stewart was in

A memorial service for Viscount Brentford will be held today at St Lawrence Jewry next Guildhall, at 12.30.

A memorial service for Viscount Head, of Throope, will be held in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks, on Tuesday, May 10, at

The Rev Gordon Bates, Canon Residentiary and Precentor of Liverpool Cathedral, has been

producer, religious programmes

Birthdays today

Mr Henry Wrong, 52.

Latest wills

The Right Rev F. C. Darwent, 56; the Rev John G. Davies, 64; Major-

the Rev John G. Davies, 64; Major-General Sir Charles Dunphie, 81; Sir Arnold France, 72; Sir Solomon Hochoy. 78; Mr Eddie Kulukundis, 51; Mr Leslie Phillips, 59; Sir Hilton Poynton, 78: Professor G. O. Sayles, 82; Sir William Steward, 82; Air Marshal Sir Richard Wakeford, 61; Mr Hoch Wilson, 52

Latest estates include (net, before

Bristol Grammar

refect. The 450th Anniversary

Development Appeal stands at £505,000. The Midsummer Fair, in

aid of the appeal, will be held in Tyndalls Park on Saturday after-

Girls' Public Day

School.

Harrow School

of Cambridge, Gloucestershire

Mr N. P. Magee and Dr A. Gregor-Drachovská Two bishops appointed

The engagement is announced between Neil, son of Commander Brian Magee and the late Mrs Elizabeth Magee, of Edinburgh, and Anna, daughter of Dr and Mrs Josef Drachovsky, of Prague.

and Miss A. F. Clarence-Smith

appointed Suffragan Bishop of Whitby, in succession to the Right Rev Clifford Conder Barker, who is to be Suffragan Bishop of Selby.

The Rev Peter James Firth, senior conducts religious programmes. The engagement is anounced between Stephen Richard, youngest producer, religious programmes, and religious broadcasting organizer for the BBC, west region, has been appointed Suffragan Rishop of Malmesbury, in succession to the Right Rev Frederick Stephen Temple, who will be resigning on October 15. son of Mr and Mrs C. P. Marriott, of Sedburgh, Cumbria, and Anne Frances, daughter of Mr and Mrs K. Clarence-Smith, of Neatishead,

Mr S. R. C. Points and Miss J. M. Everest

The engagement is announce between Simon, son of Mr and Mrs P. C. Points, of Pangbourne College, Berkshire, and Jane, daughter of Mr F. D. Everest, of London, SW12, and the late Mrs B. M. Everest, of Sheencroft Farm, Blewbury. of Sheencro Oxfordshire.

Mr D. Robins and Miss C. N. Knox

The engagement is announced between David, younger son of Mr and Mrs G. Robinson, of Leadgate, co Durham, and Catherine Mary, second daughter of Mr and Mr. John Knox, of Wilney, Oxfordshire.

and Miss A. Pratt

The engagement is announced between Kevin, son of Mr and Mrs Michael Skndder, and Alison, daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas

and Miss J. R. Lines The engagement is announced between Brian, eldest son of Mr and Mrs K. F. Smith, of Colinton Edinburgh, and Jennifer, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Lines, of

Marriages Captain M. A. T. Hibbert-Hingston and Miss L. J. B. Armytage The marriage took place on Saturday, April 16, at the Parish Church of All Saints, Staplehurst, between Captain Mark Hibbert-

Hingston and Miss Lucinda Army-tage. The Rev Trevor H. Vickery officiated, assisted by Father Giles Hibbert and Canon H. Sutton. ! A reception was held at the hon of the bride.

Mr J. C. Hoppe and Miss C. Lankester The marriage took place in London on Tuesday, April 12, of Mr John Chapin Hospe, son of the Rev L. and Mrs Hoppe, of Kansas City, Missouri, United States, and Miss Christina Louise Lankester, daughter of Captain and Mrs P. K. R. Lankester, of Wimbledon, London.

Mr M. J. Isaac and Miss J. E. Clarenbone

The marriage took place on April 16. in Hampshire, between Mr Malcolm Isaac and Miss Jill

and Miss P. M. Lamb

The marriage took place on Saturday April 16, at All Saints Church, Wardour Castle, between Mr Jonathan Marland, son of Mr and Mrs Peter Marland, and Miss Penelope Lamb, younger daughte of Mr and Mrs Richard Lamb. Dom Hilary Steuert officiated, assisted by Father J. Tranmar and the Rev A. L

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Rebecca Mariand, Miss Daisy Monahan, Lady Frances Armstrong-Jones and Paul Addington. Mr Graham Riddick was best

A reception was held at the bride's home and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Luncheon

Law Society The President of the Law Society Mr Max Williams, was host at a luncheon at 60 Carey Street yesterday. Among those present ord Rewillison of Ewell, QC, Sir Kenneth cwinen, Mr R & Donell, Master Etten, Mr argaret Rudge, Mr P B Sparts, Mr C R cwebon, Mr Brian Aichlay and Mr J L bwton, Geretary-Coperal.

Receptions British Dicestive Foundation Princess Michael of Kent, Patron of the British Digestive Foundation, was present at a reception held last night at Lettsom House. Sir Francis

Avery Jones, president, received the Mitchell Prize for the History of Art Princess Michael of Kent was present at a reception held on Monday evening at the Royal

sixth Mitchell Prizes for the History of Art to Mr John Fleming Mr Hugh Honour and Dr Keith Christiansen by Professor Sydney Freedberg and Professor Michael Kitson, judges, and Mr Jan Mitchell, President of the Mitchell Foundation. Mr Mitchell and Lord Weidenfield, chairman of the trustees, received the guests. Others

place at Lord's on Saturday, July 2. Term ends on Friday, July 8.

present included:
Lord and Lady Annen. Professor Alan
Sowness. Mr and Mrs Mitchael Boarmall.
Mr Martin Buttin, Mr Douglas Copyst. Lady
Dudlay. Mr and Mrs Dennis Farr, the
Knicht or Gills. Sr Lewrence Gowing,
Professor and Mrs Franch Hackell. Dr John
Hayes. Mr and Mrs Errstyn Joll. Lady
Dorothy Lygen, Mr Alexander Macmillan,
Mr Harveld Macmillen. OM. Mr Terestee
Mullaly, Lady Rupert Nevill. Viscoust
Norwich. Lord Richardson or Dunds-bouring, Sir John and Lady Ridded, Sr John
Sainsbury, Sir Robert and Lady Sainsbury.
Miss Norsh Smallwood. Sir Roy Strong.
Lady Theories of Swynnerton, Lord and

Dinners Royal Society of Medicine Academy for the presentation of the Sir James Watt, president, presided

daffodil shows and competitions.

The only gold medal of the show has been awarded to Rathown Daffodils, of Omagh, co Tyroze, for an artistically arranged display of all types of daffodils, with a superb centrepiece of white varieties. The firm has a number of attractive cyclamineus hybrids staged along the front of the display, also a good selection of its 1983 mitroductions. Butthday Girl, 'Ladybank', Majestic Star', 'Ewing', 'Greenvale' and from the director, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, Rhododendron parmalatum white crimson spotted, from Lord Aberconway and the National Trust, Bodnant, Ciwyd; Disathus subacaslis, pink, Prinula pubescens 'Harlow Car', white punescents 'Harlow Car', white touched mauve, and Artemesia assema, grey foliage, all from W. E. Th Ingwersen, of East Grinstead; Rhododeadron 'Endeavour', pink, from Mr E. de Rothschild, of Exhury, and Rosmarinus 'Sissinghurst Blue', mauve, from the National Trust, Sissinghurst Castle, Cranbrook. tic Star', 'Elwing', 'Greenvale' and Among other eye-catching spring plants are the primulas and auriculas exhibited by Mrs B. Hyatt, of Chatham; delightful pulsatillas and the bright blue Lithospermum Grace Ward shown by C.

Golden daffodils of Ulster

and an interesting collection of leptospermums in flower showing their various habits of growth, displayed by County Park Nur-series, of Hornchurch. The RHS deffodil competition The RHS daffodil competition contained many fine entries. In the open classes, Mr J Lea, of Stourporton-Severn, won the Engleheart challenge cup for 12 varieties raised by the exhibitor with 'Cairntoul', 'Achduart', Loch Broom', 'Gold Convention', 'Loch Lundie', 'Dailmanach', 'Torridou', 'Silver Convention', 'Loch Carron' and three manned seedlings. Many plants were submitted to the committees and the following received awards:

marned seedlings.

First class certificates: Petrea volutilis, mauve, from the director, RHS Garden, Wisley, and Prums triloha 'Multiplex', double pink, from the director, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. Awards of merit were given to: Odontoglossum Corbiere 'Saint Helier', purple, white and yellow, from Mr E. E. Young, of St. Helier. Jersey. Amateur Mr F C Postles, Amateur Mr r C Postles, of Droitwick not only won the Guy Wilson memorial vase in the open section for six varieties of white daffodils — with "Delos", "White Star", "Ben Avon", "Codl 'Crystal", "Verona' and 'Ben Hee' but also the Young, of St Helier, Jersey;

By Janet Browne, Horticulture Correspondent The Royal Hornicultural Society's Old Hall, Westminster, is a mass of colour for the society's spring show, which incorporates the camelia and daffodil shows and competitions.

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The Bowles challenge citp for 15 The Bowles challenge cup for 15 varieties in the amateur section was won by Dr J M Fisher; of Norwich, who exhibited 'frish Light, 'Empress of Ireland, 'Strines, 'Newcastle, 'Loch Hope, 'Broomhill, 'Achduart, 'Ramases, 'Loch Lundie, 'Wahkeena, 'Fiji, 'Merlin, 'Amber Castle, 'Ben Hee, and 'Ristin'.

The Norfolk and Norwich Horticultural Society won the class for horricultural societies with 12 varieties, and the best bloom in show was again 'Canisp, exhibited by Mr G Bell, of Nerwich.

In the camellia competition (for plants grown in the open) Mr D and Mr R Strauss, of Ardingley, Sussex, won a number of classes, ractuding won a number of classes, fainting any four varieties with 'Inspiration, 'Anticipation, 'Donation, and 'Con-tessa Lavinia Maggi'. However, Mrs A M Hoxton, of Loxwood, West Sussex, was awarded the Leonards-lee Bowl for nine blooms showing 'Royalty, 'Rubescens Major, 'Julea Hamiter, 'Emmett Barnes, 'Miss Charlton, 'Anticipation, 'Francis L.
'Mattie Cole, and 'Elegans Splendour'. Other major prizewinners were Mrs P Eunson, of Chorkeywood, Mr E de Rothschild, of Exbury and Mr D F Winter, of

The show is open today (Wednesday) from 10am to 5pm.



This photograph of a blind visitor to last month's Exploring Woodland and Seashore exhibition at the Natural History Museum, London, and taken for *The Times* by Suresh-Karadia, has been chosen as the Nikon photograph of the month.

Howell's Dendign

Term began yesterday Tuesday, April 19. Samuel Wells is head of school, Fiona Whelan second Summer Term starts on April 20 and ends on July 10, Half-term is from May 28 to June 5. Visitation Day is July 9. Mr Geoffrey Coward joins the staff as director of music. King William's

College, Isle of Man

Cobham Hall School Summer Term begins today. C. D. Moore is head of school and R. K. Corkill is captain of cricket. The Isle Cobham Hall School's Summer Cobham Hall School's Summer Term begins today. Kate Pelham Burn is the guardian and festival weekend will be held on the weekend of June 26 and 27, 1983. of Man Postal Authority will issue a commemorative set of stamps on May 18 to mark the 150th anniversary of the opening of the college. The trustees' dinner for old boys will be held on July 9, the

Summer Term for the 24 schools of the Girls' Public Day School Trust will begin this week; half-term will be in the week beginning May 30.

New buildings at Sheffield will be opened by Lady Johnston, chairman of the trust, on July 8.

Miss Diana Skilbeck, at present Deputy Head of West Kirby Grammar School for Girls, Wirral, has been appointed Headmistress of Sheffield 12-3. There will be a summer term will be a summer term is from May 27-31. There will be a summer term will be a summer term of the trust of Sheffield 12-3. has been appointed Headmistress of Sheffield High School from September 1, 1983, on the retirement of the present headmistress, Miss half on Friday, July 8, and term will end with Speech Day on the following day. The sixth form girls' house, Granta, is to open in September 1984 and names are now Mrs Judith Dawtrey, at present Head of Modern Languages at Rickmansworth Masonic School, being accepted for the house list.

Miss H. A. Stewart has been appointed as first housemistress and she will join the school in January Rickmansworth Masonic School, has been appointed Headmistress of Portsmouth High School from January 1, 1984, when the present headmistress, Miss Jennifer Plowman, takes up her appointment as Headmistress of Bromley High

Royal Grammar School, Guildford

Trinity Term began on April 18 with 704 boys in the senior school and 284 at Lanesborough. John Perrin is captain of cricket. The 1983 King's Lecture will be given on May 5 by Mr Peter Newsam. On May 23 the CCF will be inspected by Lieutenant-General Sir Richard Trant, GOC South East District.

The Merchant of Vonice will be Summer Term begins today, M. S. Landon (Rendalis) continues as head of the school and J. W. S. Raper (West Acre) is captain of cricket. The boys of Druries have moved into the old Knoll in preparation for the modernization of Druries. Romeo and Juliet will be performed in speech room on May 20 and 21. Speech Day will be on Saturday, May 28, and the half-term exear from 6.30 pm on Speech Day until 9.0 pm on Wednesday, June 1. The Eton v Harrow match will take place at Lord's on Saturday, July 2. The Merchant of Venice will be performed in the quadrangle on June 24, 25 and 26.

St George's School, Ascot Summer Term will begin at 2 pm on Tuesday, April 26, 1983.

at a dinner for members of council of the Royal Society of Medicine held yesterday at I Wimpole Street. The guest speaker was Mr Leonard

Boden, Among those present were: Lord and Lady Smith, Sir John and Lady Dacie, Sir John Stallworthy and Sir Gordon and Lady Wolster Reform Club The economics group of the Reform Club held a dinner last night, Mr Douglas Llambias was in the chair, and the speaker was Professor Roland Smith.

Society of Apothecaries of Loudon Dr T. D. Whittet, Master of the Society of Apothecaries of Loudon, assisted by Professor Sir Peter Tizard, Senior Warden, and Professor Norman Ashton, Junior Warden, gave a dinner last night at Apothesaries' Hall. Among those present were: Lord Creiborne, Lord Porritt, Dr Dickson Mahon, MP, Sir Fonald Gibson, Sir Brian

School, St Audries School

John Nursing Cadets' Military Band has been invited to play at Dunster, Weymouth, Cheltenham, St Paul's (June 25) and Windsor Safari Park. Old Girls Day is on May 21. Speech Day, when the guest of honour will be Mr Dorian Williams, is on July 12. Alice will be performed in the Townsend Hall on July 9 and Speech Day. Half term is from May

27 to June 1 and term ends on July St Edward's School,

Oxford Term started on Monday. The heads of school are J. G. A. Ellison neads of school are J. C. A. Ellison and J. A. Livingstone. Gaudy is on Saturday, May 28, when the preacher will be the Right Rev Patrick Rodger, Bishop of Oxford, and the speaker at prize-giving, Dr David Harrison, Vice-Chancellor of Karla University. Keele University.

St John's School, Leatherhead

Summer Term starts on Wednesday, April 20. The 20th anniversary of the dedication of the chapel will be commemorated on Sunday, June 12 by a service which is to be adcast at 9.30 am on Radio 4. At the summer concert on Sunday, July 3, there will be a performance of Faure's Requiem. Term ends on Speech Day, Friday, July 8, when the guest speaker will be Sir George Sinclair.

St Lawrence College Summer Term began on April 19. T J. Veilacott is head of the school Jane Hammer is head girl, and P. R. Hobcraft is captain of cricket. Speech Day is Saturday, May 28; the Speech Day is Saturday, May 28; the guest of honour is Mr Derek Wigram and the preacher at the Speech Day service is the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Kent at Canterbury. O. L. Day is July 2 and term ends on July 8. Mr P. H. Harris retires as headmaster at the end of this term and will be succeeded by Mr. J. H. Binfield. ceeded by Mr J. H. Binfield.

St Leonards School, St Andrews

Summer Term begins today and ends on Speech Day, Tnesday, July 12, 1983. Senior week will be from Friday, May 20 to Sunday, May 22,

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Healy.

evening. The guest of honour and speaker was Mr Tom King. Secretary of State for the Environ Service dinner

The United and Cecil Club dined a

the House of Commons yesterday

United and Cecil Club

RAF Support Command Air Marshal Sir Michael Beavis, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, RAF Support Command, and members of Brampton Park Officers' Mess held a dinner yesterday. The principal guest was the Scendary of State for Defence Mr. Michael State for Defence, Mr Mich Heseltine

school, N. A. Bright, KS, continues as captain of the school and C. J. Hawley, OS, as captain of the Oppidans. Four performances of The White Devil, by John Webster, The Waite Devil, by John Webster, will be given at the Farrer Theatre on May 30 and 31 and June 1. The Corps trooping the colour will be on the evening of Friday June 3, prior to the Fourth of June calebrations. Long leave will be from June 4 to 8.

The Winchester Match will be at Winchester on June 17 and 18, the Harrow Match at Lord's on Saturday, July 2, and school closes on July 8.

OBITUARY

MR JANIS SAPIETS BBC broadcasting to the Soviet Union

A colleague writes:

The death of Janis Sapiets removes a man of remarkable gentleness and moral excelence, who exercised an unobtrusive yet considerable influence in the BBC's broadcasting to Eastern Europe - in particu-lar to the Soviet Union - as he did upon many of his col- prime process. In the English leagues.

He was a familiar voice to an audience whose dimensions in Russia can only be guessed at but which was probably many millions. Sapiets occupied a rather special position in the Eastern European service at. Bush House in that he was both head of its small central research unit and also had charge of religious broadcasting for the Russian service. They were tasks for which his own edectic background equipped him particularly.

The Second World War had put an end to his hopes of a diplomatic career in an independent Latvia where he was born in 1921 and which was annexed by Stalin in 1940, exction and explanation of following the agreement with bizhenitsyn's significance to following the agreement with agreement with the following the agreement with the following the following the press, the following the with the following the agreement with the following the following the agreement with the following t lish and of, course, Latvian fluently, spent some years in i made such a considerable displaced persons camps, with a inpact. period studying theology at Eastern Europe, whether it Bonn University, before he ame in exile, as with the arrived in England in 1947. rocession of dissidents, or in Here he picked up the threads acforumoforthodoxexchanges, of the older political and hat a path to Janis Sapieus religious alignments which once drew Northern Europe together.

He went to Belfast to study at the Presbyterian College and was ordained as pastor of the Latvian Lutheran -church in Scotland in 1950, and, also, joining the Church of Scotland in 1953, became a minister at South Leith, Edinburgh, and subsequently at Bank Hill Presyberian Church, Berwick-

cultural and religious life of the Latvian community in Bitain.
After more time at London
University, he joined the BBC's
Russian Service in 1962.
Throughout the 1970s he was
head of the BBC's research and
information at Bush Houseand editor of religious programming to the Soviet Union.

Sapiets was a deeply religious man and the fact that he had been a minister had a strong bearing on his whole approach. He was impressively devoid of bitterness or rancour. Although the Baltic states had been crushed by Stalin's empire, he saw in the Russians the greatness of the Dostovevskys

London in 1964. visiting professor in 1981 at the and the Clekhovs while deplor ing the poorishness of the present scular culture.

Coming as he did from one o the marrinal states of Europe he was constant reminder o that oler constituency - the small ntions of Europe - which environment where people might jot naturally ask or take an ingress, Sapiers and his research institute became a point of reference for other depaiments throughout the

Wien Solzhenitsyn arrived dramatically in the west, and was posieged by regiments of presmen and photographes, the irst and only journalist the Rusian writer agreed to see was Sarets, who was known to him by joice only. "I recognized you at lonce when you spoke Somenitsyn said.

he two men were to form a cite association. Sapiets played a maracteristically unassu be central role in the intro

Solzhenitsyn, oor. eample, convinced the BBC tat there was a far greater anchment to the Christian fath in the Soviet Union than hd been supposed. A direct consequence was that the BBC atonce decided to increase the

number of its religious programes to the Soviet Union It was Sapiets who carried this anis Sapiets had a natural He was a central focus of the street and an unaffected hundred and religious life of the control of the hundred disputed ideas witin the BBC, and particulari in the matrix of eastern Europe at Bush House be was effetive in constantly enabling people to talk to one another. He was known if not widely,

> Sapits". H was unfailingly courteons and olicitous of others and in more than one category his persusive gentleness enlisted sympthy for his many insights nowhere more so than those into the predicament of the apputated cultures and people of the other half of

then affectionately, as "Home

DR R. E.DIXON

ay. The St Eton College opens today for the ltary Band t Dunsfer.

Dr. Roger Edmund Dixon Viniversy of Virginia; and a was an architectural historian of bonth ago at his polytechnic he growing reputation when he school. N. A. Briehr KS Constitute growing reputation when he was appropriated and a province of the provi died in London on Monday April 18 at the early age of 48. Educated at St Paul's School and Peterhouse, Cambridge, hejoined the staff of the Polytechnic of the South Bank in

> His shrewd and compendious book Victorian Architecture, written with Stefan Muthesius and published in 1978, has become a widely used textbook. An admired teacher, he was

He was an active churchman: he membrial will be the new paish church at Barnes, in south-wes London, where he chared the rebuilding commilee after a severe fire in 197. His tact and expertise secured a vide measure of local acceptance for the elegant designs by Edward Cullinan to which the church is now being

He saves a widow and three

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Despite continuing economic worries and the wettest winter on record, Honkong is learning to live with the prospect of reverting to Chinese sovereignty in 1997, when the 99-year lease on the economically vital New

Territories expire. The stock market has recovered to a considerable extent from the knock it ook last year when Mrs Thatcier went to Hongkong after a vsit to China, where she apparenty infuriated the Peking leaders sy asserting that the 19th century treaties ceding the territory to Britain valid in international law". The Chinese ontend that they were imposed b force on the tottering Manchu Dynasty.

After a few panicy weeks, when many Hongkog people started looking serious at ways of emigrating and geting their capital out, and the longkong dollar was effectively evalued by 12 per cent with smill hope of recovery, it became wident that Peking was not tanning any early or drastic chage in Hongkong's economy ad hife

After the heated dounci ations of Mrs Thatcher state ments, even down it her assertion that Britain ad/a "responsibility" towards the people of Hongkong, the hiding leaders saw the economic damage they had done and tried to right it.

A mood of sweet reasonbleness has replaced the edier prickliness, as the Chiese official media have gone o of their way to assure Honging people that it will be theynot cadres and soldiers from 17th China, who will run the sall but opulent demesne wheale British are invited to leave.

Some expatriates have on-dered whether Peking vuld care to extend the lease (vichit does not officially recoize in any case) with or whout payment of rent, which has never been demanded if the past. But this seems intobable, given the fact that polical "face" is the main son compelling the Chinese iders to insist on reversion the sovereignty they claim possess already by right, en if

they are not exercising it.
It was unfortunate the Mrs. Thatcher's visit coincide with a delicate phase of the impal campaign to rid the Cinese leadership of superanuated revolutionary veterans, laoist sympathizers, time serve, and people guilty of abe of

Mr Deng's critics, injuding some top military commoders, might have dearly like to see him discredited for talks too soft a position over histically emotional issues such allongkong and Taiwan. Th indispensable mark of a hinese patriot today is a resal to Hongkong governments that the accept that the territial div-/ people's interests are being kept

eignty issue came on top of Hongkong's leanest business year since the 1973 world oil crisis. It is having more than usual difficulty in marketing the manufactured exports which are the basis of its prosperity.

The vastly overheated prop-erty boom of the past few years has predictably burnt itself out, and the blame for many bad debts rests with the banking system which all too cagerly fuelled it. The Government has not helped by dropping the planfor a new airport and ocean bridge, which was previously touted as a symbol of its own confidence in the territory's

On the bright side, there was a surprisingly large turnout -more than 30 per cent of the electorate - at the recent elections for the urban council and district boards, Hongkong's only democratically elected organs of government.

Apathy over the urban council elections has been pointed to in the past as a sign that the people of Hongkong are not interested in democracy – only in a stable environment in which to make money and, if

possible, prepare to emigrate. Certainly the urban council's responsibilities are limited, with education, health, social services, roads, etc. being run directly by the Government, whose spokesman has recently said there will be no move towards greater public participation in he near future.

The Government is run by an executive and a legislative council both of which are composed of ex officio members, and appointees such as business tycoons, lawyers and a sprinkling of social reformers.

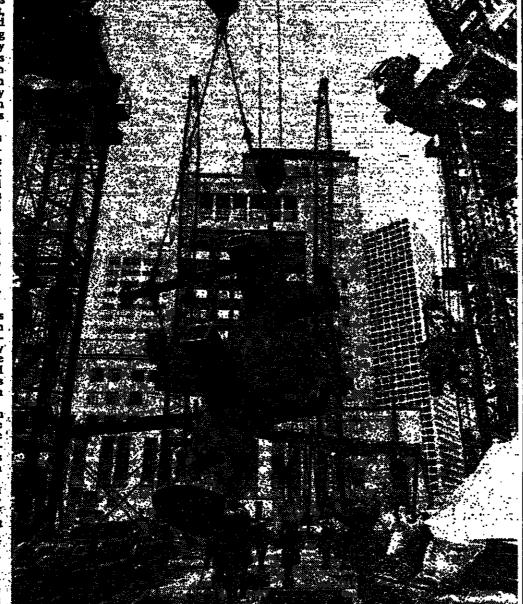
Similarly, in Peking it is a point of Communist Party dogma that the people of Hongkong in the 21st century will be content with a status vaguely defined as that of a "special administrative region" of the People's Republic.

The territory, Peking promises, would keep its way of life and economic and legal systems for an unspecified time to come, after government and sover eignty had passed out of British hands. But how can the present leaders in China answer for the decisions of their successors in more than 14 years from now? Nor for that matter, can anyone know what the British Government in 1997 will want to do about Hongkong.

People here are frustrated by Mrs Thatcher's insistence on total confidentiality surrounding the talks being conducted by British and Chinese diplomats in Peking. They feel, understandably, that the issue is being settled behind their backs.

Assurances by the British and ision of China can be blerated an view cut little ice. With native scepticism, the CantonHongkong

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The future may be uncertain but the building goes on. Construction of the new headquarters of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank in Central district.

at this situation. Relatively speaking, they have had things pretty good, and 14 years is a long time in which to work out one's individual options for the

What rankle are the things considered to be signs of British indifference to the people who have lived peaceably and, on the whole, law-abidingly under the Union Jack for all this time. The Hongkong-issued British passport is a near-worthless document for anything but short trips abroad. Britain has

have at home. Despite this, there is hardly

any overt hostility towards the "old devils" - as the Chinese commonly call Europeans in Hongkong. There is no safer place for a non-Chinese person to walk the streets by day or night (the same cannot be said for Chinese residents, for whom violent crime is a frequent and increasing menace). But anyone who was here in 1967 can recall how easily old resentments may boil over under provocation.

stashed educational subsidies
for Hongkong students. Expatriresilience and adaptability over Hongkong is a place whose

ese and other people of ates still enjoy massive job the years are proof of the Hongkong show little surprise preference and a standard of commonsense of the vast at this situation. Relatively living they would be r sikely to majority of its inhabitants. Peking's proposed solution for 1997 and after is impeccable on paper - local autonomy and minimal change in lifestyle and economic and cultural freedom.

It is Britain's responsibility to engage the Chinese leaders in the process of negotiation and planning ahead, which will show not only the desirability, but also the sheer necessity, of guaranteeing that much to the territory's people, however many of them decide to seek their fortunes elsewhere in the

David Bonavia

ECONOMY

Fears that haunt the money men

from the South China Sea began literally to cut and run largely spared Hongkong last while they still could. year, but the colony was A Government policy de-battered by a series of political signed belatedly to stem the

market had already fallen lending being used to prop up precipitously from its spring unsound DTCs also in property high as the scale of the or other doubtful lending, problems in the glutted prop- Only some arm-twisti erty market began to become apparent. Record high interest rates, designed to preserve the fragile Hongkong dollar against total collapse,had squeezed property speculators too hard and recession had already knocked the bottom out of the market for luxury offices and

After Mrs Thatcher's visit, which arguably did more to hinder than to help the course of the lease negotiations, owing to her intransigent stand on the legality of the leases, flight capital began pouring out of the colony. The local dollar weakened further and the Hang Seng stock market index was nudging 700 by December, roughly half its level in March.

By the middle of last year, too, it was clear that Hongkong's manufacturing and exports sector was in the grip of severe recession and corporate profits began to slide. Exports ended the year 3 per cent down in real terms and order books were looking very thin.

This was by no means the end of Hongkong's problems. Towards the end of November, several of the 350 or so secondary banks or "deposittaking companies", which have sprung up over the past decade, began to fail. The cause in some cases was alleged fraud or malfeasance by directors but the common factor behind this sudden rash of wrongdoing was a rapid deterioration in the quality of DTC assets. Many of them were heavily involved in finance or property lending - loans they suddenly discovered were no longer paying interest or had simply

and economic storms whose runaway growth of the depositaftermath is still very much in taking companies and to force their public deposits back into When Mrs Thatcher came the banking system also contribaway from Peking in Septem- uted to the failures. Those ber without any sign of an DTCs which were not subsidiagreement on what happens to aries of banks were thrown into Hongkong beyond the expiry heavy, and costly, dependence of the New Territories lease in on the interbank market. 1997, the gloom already per- Foreign and local banks which vading the economy turned supply funds to this market into deep depression. It has found themselves dangerously lifted only slightly since. lifted only slightly since.

Well before the Prime assets and took sudden fright at Minister arrived, the stock the thought of their interbank

> Only some arm-twisting by the Government persuaded the foreign banks to maintain credit lines (while the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank offered emergency support to "soundly managed" DTCs). But with half a dozen DTCs now having failed, there is no indication that the crisis is over, or that it could not spread into the banking sector itself.

> > The effect of high land prices has been to negate the low income tax rate for all but those provided with company homes

As though to underline the gloom and despondency which had settled over the colony, the Chinese lunar new year (of the Pig) was ushered in during mid-February by prolonged rain-storms. Not even the grand fireworks display staged in Victoria Harbour could brighten the prospect for long If Hongkong residents, Chinese and expatriate alike, were desperate by this time for good news. Mr John Bremridge, the Financial Secretary, was hardly in a position to give it when he delivered his end-February

Hongkong's gross domestic product growth in 1982, he reported, had come out not at the 7 per cent he had originally forecast but at a modest 2.4 per

The typhoons which sweep in gone bad. Owners and managers cent. Elsewhere in the region. only the Philippines had done that badly (2.6 per cent growth in 1982), while Singapore and South Korea had both managed 6 per cent growth, Indonesia 6.5 per cent and Thailand 4.5 per cent. Taiwan, too, had grown nearly 4 per cent but, unlike Hongkong, all of these countries give active encouragement to their manufacturing and export sectors, which they rely on for

Mr Bremridge also had the unpleasant task of admitting that his forecast a year earlier of a budget surplus of some HK\$4,900m (about £490m) for fiscal 1982-83 had in fact come out as a HK\$2,400m deficit, owing to an unprecedented decline in the Government's fiscal position. Total revenues in fiscal 1982-83 had come out not at the earlier anticipated HK\$37,800m but at HK\$30,800m, while expenditures had come out somewhat

higher than expected, at HK\$33.200m. Budget deficits are by no means unique to Hongkong, but was the severity of the deterioration which surprised most people. Land sales rev-enue has in recent years been what the Government has relied upon most heavily to finance its surplus budget and in 1982/83 land sales revenues fell by HK\$7,000m. The irony of this is that the impact of high land prices at public auction has been correspondingly high prices for office and residential accommodation, whether for sale or to let. And greedy speculators have added on their own liberal margin. The result has been to negate the advantage of a low (15 per cent) income tax rate in

Hongkong for all but those

expatriates who enjoy the

luxury of accommodation provided by their firms. Although property rental values have declined in the recent crash most people have not felt the full benefit in term : of lower rents and sale prices. simply because a large volume of empty property is being held off the market. Mr Bremridge. perhaps fearing a social back-lash if he raised direct taxes and thereby aggravated the existing falling real incomes and rising unemployment, opted to in-crease direct taxes instead. He went for fairly severe imposts on tobacco and alcohol, motor

fuel and licences and property Continued on page !I

EXPORTS

Looking for a lifeline from abroad

The real prosperity of Hengkong has always dended on the biggest single customer for exports, rather that the nar-. Hongkong's domestic exports, rowly-based wealth energed in taking HK\$29,200m. (about recent years by the fancial and £2,920m) worth in 1981 (latest property boom. Nw that the available full-year figure) out of property sector he collapsed, total domestic exports of and banks are wallwing a bad HK\$80,400m. Including Canadebt, it is the expirt sector to da, North American sales were which the colon is boking worth HK\$31,600m against the again for rescue. again for rescue.

Never has thi beer more Never has thil beer more true than in 1983when private domestic demands subject by recession and government spending is severly constrained by the first majo budget deficit in many yes. Jowever, because of the Government's laisser-faire polities, we export sector has cribyed precious little encouragment to diversify out of tradtions products and there are quesion marks over the demaid to textiles in particular this ean?

List real (diffating adjusted)

terns the clong domestic exports actually defined by 2.7 per cent in 192 but the Government is boing for a 5 per cent real ancase this year. This is based of the forecast that the feading industrial economies as whole will expand their grup by 1.5 per cent in 1982 following a contraction of 15 per cent last contraction of 15 per cent last year. The cours of the United States economis crucial to

The United States is by far HK\$23,700m worth taken by Western Europe and HK\$12,000m by Asian coun-

tries. The Hongkong Government is estimating a 5 per cent rise in domestic exports to the US in 1983, which should be possible, especially in the light of the relatively moderate attitude taken by Washington towards textile imports from Hongkong in the recent Multi-Fibre Arrangement (MFA) negotiations.

Exports to Western Europe, and in particular to EEC countries such as France, Britain and Germany, are likely to do far same can be said of exports to HK\$7,000m. These three cateMiddle For Tal. Africa and the Middle East. Last year. Hong-kong sexports to Britain fell by 10 per cent and those to Germany by 4 per cent, whereas sales to the US declined by only I percent.

The key to Hongkong's export problems is the colony's very ing sector which still employs high dependence on clothing and by far the biggest proportion of textile fabrics. In 1981 clothing Hongkong's working population

given not only the much greater level. rivalry nowadays from places such as South Korea, Taiwan and Macan (plus China) but also the protectionist attitude of European textile makers.

> The export sector receives virtually no encouragement other than in trade promotion

The remainder of Hongkong's export spectrum is hardly wide. In 1981 watches and clocks accounted for HK\$7,000m of exports and toys half of total exports.
It is true that the colony has a

strong services base in areas such as tourism, banking and shipping. But it is the (highly export dependent) manufacturing sector which still employs

exports made up HK\$28,300m - close to one million in 1981 or out of the merchandise total of nearly twice the number en-HK\$80,000m and, if a further gaged in trade and tourism and HK\$4,000m is added for textile dwarfing the 155,000 in finance fabrics, the "textile" trade and business services. Yet the accounted for nearly 40 per cent export sector receives virtually of the total. It is not hard to see the no official encouragement other problems that that points to, than at the trade promotion Fortunately re-exports have

remained somewhat stronger than domestic exports, managing a 0.3 per cent growth in 1982 and expected to rise 12 per cent in real terms this year. That should push the colony's total exports (domestic plus reexports) up by 7 per cent this year. Hongkong's re-exports consist mainly of consumer goods plus raw materials and semi-manufactures – HK\$17,300m and HK\$16,400m respectively out of total mer-chandise re-exports of HK\$41,700m in 1981. China is the biggest single source (some HK\$13,000m worth) followed by Japan (HK\$8,400m) and

Hongkong manufacturers have made repeated pleas to the Government in recent years for help by way of concessional finance, cheaper industrial land and other facilities in order to boost their international competitiveness. But the pleas have fallen largely on deaf ears. Credit poured instead into the now glutted property market, where for a time it looked as though the sky was the limit for profits until it came to the time to find occupants for the myriad skyscraper office blocks that had sprung up and to which local and foreign banks had lent

money with liberal abandon. A fraction of the money that went into the greedy dreams of property speculators, if invested in manufacturing might have produced a much more highly capitalized diversified and modernized export sector. Instead the reverse happened and many exporters, seeing the profits reaped from property speculation, tried their hand at it by closing down factories and selling the land for commercial development. However, the property apple has gone rotten. Seeing the desperate straits or

some manufacturers in the recession, and possibly fearing the social consequences of rising unemployment in the manufacturing/export sector, the big local banks have recently begun offering concesional loans to industry - taking their cue from the Bank of China. It is a belated and inadequate gesture which is hardly to push Hongkong towards an export

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After the boom, the slide continues

would follow the property boom (Carrian and Eda) had defaulted per cent of its HK\$11,000m of the late 1970s. The collapse, on payments. Eda is in the cost. The developer of the eight which is now widely evident process of winding up under a sites contracted so far, a funds for these institutions, but was caused by a combination of court order. Hongkong Land consortium led by Hang Lung also because of their participative world appropriate Hongkong Telephone to the world appropriate the process of the economic recession which eroded demand for office space and luxury HK\$1,400m (a profit of accommodation for expatriates, HK\$400m). and political uncertainty over

large property subsidiaries cent drop in profits. (released on March 30) showed The Governmen the extent of the damage, also Hongkong Land, the largest HK\$3,000m deficit recorded in property developer in the 1982/83, the first in many years, territory, reported a 27 per cent Lack of buyers for its land it necessary to set aside 1983/84, land is expected to led it to approve the construct "when circumstances justify" HK\$1,900m for what it called bring in only 10 per cent of tion of the Island Line "no Such circumstances, officials HK\$514m for Letters B (government-issued Territories land exchange

Hongkong Telephone to one program the second.

Britain's Cable and Wireless for from the second.

A question m

Jardine Matheson's consolidated net profits were down 2.1 Annual results for 1982 of per cent to HK\$708m, a decline four leading property develop- which it attributed to its 40 per ment companies and two major cent equity in Hongkong Land. hongs (trading houses) with Swire Pacific reported a 17.5 per

drop in net profits to just over resulted in revenue from this HK\$1,000m (about £100m), source falling HK\$7,300m factors (expected profits from Moreover, Hongkong Land felt short of its original estimate. In property development) which policy to do away with it, 1983/84, land is expected to led it to approve the construc-'possible future termination" of general revenue, compared to longer apply", is unwilling to two huge projects, and another 33 per cent in previous years. The property market's col-

New lapse has also caused problems for the Mass Transit Railway Corporation's (MTRC) Island projects - one Line extension, which was deposit-taking commercial, the other residential – were in trouble because development of sites above the gone to the wall, partly as a continued on the cont

It was inevitable that a bust partners in the consortium underground to finance up to 50 result of a legislated restructurone project, but has withdrawn

> A question mark hangs over its ability to develop the other brought some comfort to the six sites because of the collapse market place; prices and rents of Eda. a big partner in the consortium.
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> However, a recent govern-

sites will not be handed over for instituted in 1979 to protect the cent drop in profits.

development until a later date middle class from greedy
The Government's coffers offers some respite for the landlords, is expected to be
also suffered, with a consortium. Meanwhile, the lifted in rapid stages from MTRC will have to seek commercial loans to finance the Island Line. The Government, public that the removal of rent having conceded that the control will not take place "all pour more money into the MTRC.

> has also had a serious effect on the financial sector. Several

removed a source of public funds for these institutions, but speculation.

The sufferings of the big companies, however, have are now more affordable.

Even so, such benefits to the customer have their negative ment announcement that the aspects. Domestic rent control, December. Though the Government has virtually assured the at once", it has reiterated its have stated, are not far off. The "sandwiched society", as the middle class is called - since its The property market's slide members are too well-off to qualify for public housing but cannot afford to buy their own companies flats - has already started

STOCK MARKET

Forming psychological scar tissue

Hongkong, judging from the gains that the Hang Seng Index has recorded in recent months. While this widely quoted stock market barometer may not portray the economic prospects-for Hongkong entirely accurately, it does reflect to a large degree the level of business

confidence in the colony. When uncertainty Hongkong's future after 1997 came into sharp focus in September last year, it was the Hang Seng Index's plummeting to its lowest level for years that signalled the fears of the local business community. As the market fell further, with each pessimistic pronouncement, it also exposed the shaky founproperty-listed companies had

Despite the recent bull run on the Hongkong stock market, which took the index to its highest level in five months (at 1.066 points in late February), opinion among the local broking fraternity is divided as to whether there will be sufficient support for the rest of the year to keep the market on an upward course.

Over the last three months, vast sums of money have been pouring into the colony. As part of this represents a return of capital which took flight in the fourth quarter of 1982, it is not possible to ascertain accurately the level of foreign purchases

The volume of transactions before and since the Chinese Lunar New Year has risen so much that in value terms we are doing better than we did in December 1982", said a spokesman of a leading broking house. Others argue that increased activity had been fuelled by overseas buyers and claim that as much as 70 per cent of the increased turnover of the past three months is linked directly to purchases by foreign insti-

Despite lingering uncertainty over the colony's future, the over, at least for the moment Foreign investors subscribe to this view, as do Hongkong brokers, who feel that the market will not return to the

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airport from HK\$20

Not that this in itself will

expected to increase to HK\$7,400m in fiscal 1983/84.

Increased taxes should yield an additional HK\$3,000m (pro-

vided the reaction is not simply

Mr Bremridge did not opt for

colony has sufficient fiscal

the current level. But apart from

the fact that it would be highly

imprudent to exhaust such

arguments in favour of aban-

virtually no government debt.

Government debt instru-

Works Reserve Fund.

I. Carr Sons & Company: "For the most part of 1982, 99 per cent of Hongkong's six million people did not even understand the problem at hand. Then suddenly they were confronted with the 1997 issue and the effects were devastating in terms of the stock market. But now, having faced the problem, the psychological scar tissue has developed. As such it will take much more to send them into a state of panic. Today the political situation is neutral."

If W. I. Carr's assessment is correct, the market should go beyond the 1,200 mark at the end of this year. The more optimistic brokers see the Hang Seng Index breaching the 1,300 or even the 1,400 level. Some of these forecasts are based on the belief that economic recovery is already underway in Hongkong.

Most brokers are predicting that the colony's blue chips -Hutchison Whampoa, Cheung Kong Holdings, Jardine Kong Holdings, Matheson - will not perform too well in 1983. Brokers are also bullish about electronics companies such as Conio Investments and Atlas Industries. Some observers think that the electronics market could perform exceptionally well in the next two years, provided Hongkong can continue to manufacture products more cheaply than the US.

Few companies are expected to tap the market for additional funding, which will spare shareholders the added disincentive of rights issues. In 1982 companies raised almost HK\$900 million (about £90m) rights issues, as agains HK\$6,400 million in 1981. Overall the market raised only HK\$401 million in new capital last year, as against HK\$3,000 million in 1981.

Meanwhile, the future developement of the securities industry in Hongkong will be affected by the impact which the new unified stock exchange has on trading patterns. The Stock

Capital and confidence appear

September/October 1982 Exchange of Hongkong, which of an existing exchange should to be creeping back into trough, when, at 700 points, it will begin operations later this be eligible, roviding be satisfied by the was some 44 per cent below the year, will for the first time brings fied certain pourements.

level at which it stood before together four separate exchanges

The critical for member

> will replace four. Members will committee will present its be competing in one market findings Mr Robert Fell, the separate, and, to some extent, late June competing markets. There will be a common market discipline exchange in the widest sense and finalize

streamline trading activities, there buld be changes to suit which is why a single unified local onditions. Among the exchange was regarded as such an important objective. As Mr the littal aggregate market Derek Murphy, Hongkong's value f companies applying for Deputy Securities Commissioner, said last year: "Competition between stock brokers is clearly a good thing but competition between exchanges of the new market and the competition between exchanges of the new market and the competition of the new market and the competition of the new market and the new marke can be counter productive."

It is generally accepted that an exchange has unfettered discretion whether or not to list a public company. But, as Mr Murphy pointed out, if one exchange says no to a listing there is always the danger that another exchange will approve

ship. At present there is no minimum qualification for fuctions – listings, trading, admission – only financial status and suitability of character. Thus a prospective candidate, having been rejected by one exchange which requires higher standards than another, can be accepted elsewhere.

There is also the problem of coordinating price-sensitive information. "Where a company's securities are listed on more than one exchange in the same geographical area, there is a risk of dissemination of information in one market ahead of another to the advantage of the latter," Mr wilbe supplied with a terminal

Despite hopes for a reduction systm. in the number of stockbrokers it was decided that every member

The critera for membership Mrs Thatcher's visit to Peking. which operate independently of are being considered by a According to stockbrokers W. each other - and often to the special committee. Permitted Carr Sons & Company: "For detriment of the securities classes of sembership, qualification crieria. and deeds of Physically, one modern floor the issues to be reviewed. The instead of working in four Securities Commissioner, by

> Listing rules for the new still have to be Mr Kenneth Yu, membership itself will have secretar and listing manager, clearer definition.
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The visible trade deficit slightly rates. He even raised the narrowed HK\$16,200m last year and departure fee from Kai Tak expected to remain at aroun this level in 1983, with the g closed partly by invisit earnings from tourism at bridge the budget deficit, which

Whether capital flows w bridge the remaining gap as save the Government from usin a cut in consumption) and an its foreign exchange reserve additional HK\$3,000m will will depend largely on the come from fiscal reserves. A political climate. At preser further HK\$1,300m will be there appear to be net capital drawn down from the Capital inflows, but government con inflows, but government concessions removing withholding taxes on foreign currence deposits in Hongkong are parti responsible for that.

another two years of deficits at reserves there are monetary doning the present position of GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (Real change, %)

ments would provide a means of intervening in the market to influence money supply instead of having to rely totally on the iniquitous interest rate agreement or cartel operated through the banking system, as at present. Mr Bremridge indicated that he might consider borrowing this time next year. Fiscal deficits are here to stay for some years, given the collapse in property and land

Inflation continues to run at high levels by international standards. Hongkong suffered a 10.6 per cent rate of consumer price inflation last year and is expecting 9 per cent in 1983, partly because of the weak local currency. Domestic interest rates remain correspondingly

government borrowing to help finance the budget deficit. The This year looks like being justification in terms of economic or financial fundamentals for the recent speculative rise in the stockmarket, fed largely by

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indirect	5.9	55	5,2	5.6	+2.5
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Private consumption	12.2	1.7	3	10.8	105.6
Government consumption	25.4	7.7	6	12.7	13.0
Gross fixed capital	13.1	-0.2	6	12.9	43.4
Plant	13.5	-5. €	4	15.8	20.5
Private construction	4.8	_ D	-2	6.5	10.8
Public construction	6.8	25.6	15-	7.6	10.4
Total exports	13.0	-1.7	7	1.2	127.3
Domestic	8.0	-2.7	5	12	83.0
Re-exports	24.6	0.3	12	27	44.3
Total imports	11.7	-2.7	7	735	143.6
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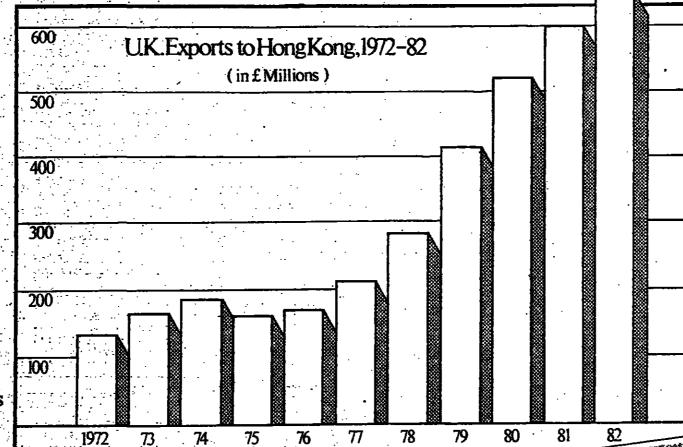
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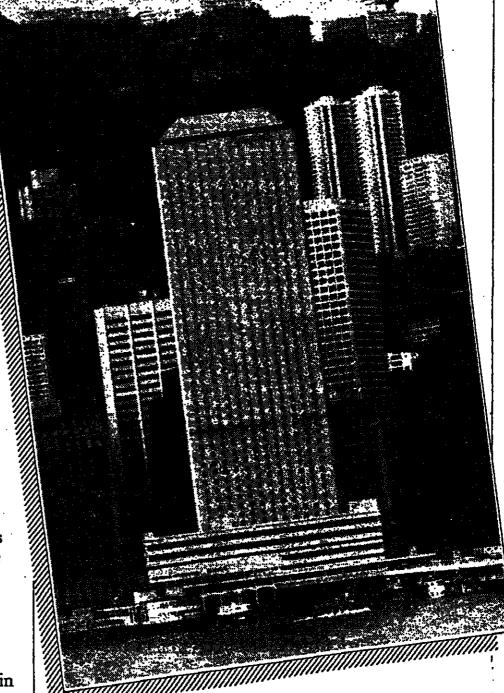
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REFUGEES

An unfriendly welcome at Chi Ma Wan

prison lences. A thin wind until they realize the possithe same time 1982 arrivals had whips off the sea and slices bilities of a journalistic contact; fallen, but by a much smaller between the forbidding grey but it is a cruel hope, falsely margin than in the rest of the buildings. Its very name, Chi raised. sinister ring about it but it is ranking of countries of first boat throughout the area last flecing to Hongkong by boat.

poignancy by the children gradually changed, unlike those disappointingly low compared running around the camp. At for other regional countries, with other South-East Asian any one time monthly births are likely to be in double figures. New lives utterly without prospects, beginning on a little prospects beginning on a little prospects likely to be indead with the hazar of board. The sealy equivalent the south-cast regional countries which have received the board of the Clara Maersk in May rate for 1982 was 44 per cent, while other first asylum countries went as high as Malaysia's

countless thousands of refugees were almost exclusively ethnic over the years from both China Chinese, many of them from and Vietnam, is only reflecting the south of Vietnam. the weariness of the Western

have little chance of being mese make up 98 per cent. colony indefinitely.

Wan should be enough to often economic, but some wish Government and the UNHCR. discourage anyone not actually to escape military service. The numbers of Vietnamese facing certain death in Vietnam.

orderly and in contrast with Hongkong itself do.
some of the open holding Towards the end of last
camps, there is no overcrowd-month there were 12,352

Hongkong's place in the the reality facing Vietnamese asylum for Vietnamese refugees year fell by 42 per cent. In has always been a special one. Hongkong the fall was only 6 It is a reality given added The profile of arrivals has per cent. Resettlement has been prison island with the haven of board. The early arrivals - the tries went as high as Malaysia's Hongkong seen vaguely in the trickle became a flood with 66 per cent.

distance through the mists.

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The period is a flood with 66 per cent. Hongkong the beacon for first seven months of 1979 -

concern. Resettlements anywhere they were sent. In otherwise yield a return. have slowed to a tenth of what 1979 only 15 per cent of the

authorities have decided that fishing villages or the country-for the good of both sides the side, and few skills to offer The rigid conditions of Chi Ma reasons for leaving are most

There would be little use in Chi Ma Wan now are putting them into the open 2.958 unfortunates who arrived centres in which earlier arrivals after the cut-off date of July 2 were placed; they could not go last year. The camp is clean and out to jobs as refugees in

ing, but there is no mistaking awaiting resettlement, with only the status of the inmates. They about 5 per cent of them having

Barbed wire surmounts the high respond to visitors as to jailers secured acceptance abroad: at

The number of arrivals by

All this has persuaded the Hongkong authorities that drastic measures to cut off the flow from Vietnam may be required. In spite of considerable assist-Those refugees, fleeing Viet- ance in the closed camps from countries with the problems of namese persecution of the the office of the United Nations the boat people and the Chinese minority, were of a High Commissioner for Refu-economic concerns which force high calibre, mainly business gees (UNHCR), the refugees them to reconsider their pri- people with skills to offer and have cost the Hongkong often quite a lot of money to Government US \$18m (about Eight years after the end of start a new life in third £12m) in straight outgoings. the Vietnam war they are still countries. Being Chinese, most This does not take into account arriving though fewer than in were well educated and adapt- the diversion of resources and the recent past, when there was able, readily able to fit in almost the use of land which would

Among the options being they were two years ago but arrivals were ethnic Vietna- considered is the forced those now leaving Vietnam mese. Today the ethnic Vietna- repatriation of new arrivals, a dramatic switch from the resettled through Hongkong.

They are likely to be in the nam are of a different calibre set Hongkong apart from other plony indefinitely. from their predecessors. Most South-East Asian countries in To some, the barbed wire and are from north or central the past. Such a programme is the past. Such a programme is the prison conditions seem Vietnam. They have little still only at the stage of being unnecessarily cruel, but the education, coming mostly from considered. Should it go ahead it would have to be the subject of negotiations not only with exodus has to be discouraged. resettlement countries. Their the Foreign Office in London The rigid conditions of Chi Ma reasons for leaving are most but also with the Vietnamese

> boat people in Hongkong pale into insignificance compared with the influx from China. The peak of the flood again coincided with events in Indo-China. As Chinese troops were withdrawn from the border with Hongkong to cope with the fighting on the Vietnam-China



base" under the policy then day. prevailing, which allowed those who managed to evade both the Chinese and the British to stay.

That influx so frightened the authorities and the people of Hongkong that the "touch base" policy was abolished. Last year 8,700 hopefuls were turned back. That change and the introduction of identity cards for Hongkong citizens have not eliminated the problem of the illegals brought in by "snake or racketeers. These illegals are responsible, the authorities believe, for much of

While the police have had a good deal of success in picking up illegals, the skill of the counterfeiters has prevented them from being totally successborder, the steady flow of ful. Since the "touch base" rule

the recent violent crime in

Honekons.

refugees from China became a was ended it has been estimated flood. In 1979 90,000 were that more than 8,000 illegals are caught on first arrival and living underground. They are 107,000 got through to "touch still arriving at the rate of nine a

To counteract the illegals and their effect on the crime rate, new identity cards are being issued from this month. Learning from the lessons of Northern Ireland, they will be backed by a new computer which will allow police officers to run immediate checks on identity

Given the current poor state of the Hongkong economy and the heavy penalties for those assisting illegal immigrants, the police will most probably enjoy considerable public support in the hunt for illegals. Thus, with good policing at the border, it is hoped to eliminate the illegal element in Hongkong's popu-

David Watts

HIGHER EDUCATION

Getting ready for the great leap forward

When the rest of the world was the longer term, the Englishracing to expand tertiary equil language University of Hong-cation, the British-administered kong has been asked to explore territory had to stand on the sidelines. It was then still student population from 6,000 struggling to provide enough to about 10,000 in the mid struggling to provide enough to about 10,000 in the order of school places at the primary and 1990s, with emphasis on a school places at the primary and secondary levels.

Now that budgetary strinency and slackening demand for university students have caught up with a number of Western countries, effectively, putting a curb on further growth, Hongkong is preparing for its "great leap forward" in the field of higher education.

Current plans are that by the mid-1990s the opportunities for degree courses will increase threefold. The target is to raise first-year degree places from 2.5 per cent of the 17 to 19 age group to eight per cent by 1995, wo years before the lease on the New Territories expires. There are plans for a second polytechnic to be opened by 1988, with a total enrolment of 20,000 students, of whom 8,000 will be full-time and the rest part-day-time and evening students. In the early 1990s numbers will rise to 30,000, of whom 13,500 will be full-time students. A site is being prepared and the appointment of a director is

under consideration. Thirty per cent of the courses offered at the new polytechnic will be to degree level. On top of this, the authorities are examining the feasibility of an open

university. Existing institutions will also be significantly developed over the next ten years. The supply of degree places will be in-creased by 4 per cent a year at Hongkong's two universities up till 1988, with specific training requests by the Government to be met over and above this

This will see total enrolment. at the University of Hongkong, the territory's oldest, and at the newer Chinese University growing from the present 11,200 to 15,100 in four years' time.
This is 3,000 places in excess

Hongkong has always been of the projection of the 1978 getting ready to pull out, and something of a latecomer in White Paper on senior second- this could cause a crisis of development ary and tertiary education in confidence gicater intake of medical and

law students. The Hongkong Polytechnic. which at present has an enrolment of 25,400 of whom 8,000 are full time, 3,700 dayrelease, and the remainder evening class students - ought to have 30 per cent of its planned full-time-equivalent students on degree courses by

This expansion comes amid uncertainty and anxieties about the future of Hongkong after Britain's lease on the New Territories runs out in 1997, Territories runs out -currently the subject of negotiations with China. embark on an expansion programme while the whole Hongkong question remains un-

One reason is that, despite present worries, most people realize that there will be nowhere for them to whatever happens in 1997. They live in hope that when sovereignty reverts to China, life here will be little changed.

With hardly any natural resources, and depending for its living on its ability to trade effectively. Hongkong must ensure that its gradually diversifying economy is well supplied with highly educated and skilled manpower. Also, the groundwork for the present expansion was laid in the late 1970s, when it was widely held that the last thing China would do would be to disturb the status quo in Hongkong, lest it kill the goose that laid the golden eggs.

To halt expansion plans Britain and China are at a cations delicate stage would be interpreted by Hongkong people as a sign that the Government was

Clearly, in the long term much will depend on the outcome of the current talks but with expansion virtually guaranteed until the end of the decade, it is not surprising that Dolicy makers and educators are

exuding confidence. Professor M A Brimer, head of the School of Education at the University of Hongkoog, points out "We are the envy of the rest of the university world because we are expanding when everybody else is contracting."

The provision of university places, however, is still low.
With a population of some five and a half million, the territory has only two universities and one polyrechnic, compared with the seven universities and four polytechnics for a population of three million in New Zealand University places are available for only 2.5 per cent of the

17-20 age group, compared with 4: to 6 per cent in other Asian countries. Hongkong lags be-hind countries such as Sing-pore and South Korea, which are regarded as being at a comparable stage of develop-

This has resulted in a braindrain to the United States, Canada and Britain. According to recent statistics, more than 14,400 students went overseas for their education in 1981-82, a number which exceeds by more than 4,000 the total enrolment of the two local universities in the same period.

By acquiring a near-monopoly of secondary education, the Government has created expectations that it will provide further education for matriculating sixth-formers.

Nobody wants to repeat the mistakes of countries such as India, where the rush to expand tertiary education has mean that many graduates take halt expansion plans menial jobs for lack of employ-negotiations between ment suited to their qualifi-

> Halima Guterres South China Morning Post

The continuing property slump

Continued from page II The Government is also taking advantage of the market downturn. A home-ownership scheme for the middle-class (family income of between HK\$6,500 and HK\$13,000 a month) has been scrapped after 2,500 flats selling for HK\$200,000 to HK\$300,000 drew only 1,000 aplications. Land allocated for this middleincome housing scheme is likely to revert to the home ownership scheme for families earning less than HK\$6,500 a month. Flats

demand, drawing several times accommodated. Annual pro-

was used for the construction of

entitlements were transferable, Valuers and estate agents say it most were sold to property is now possible to acquire prime developers. In the past, how- properties at bargain prices. ever, much of the land put out Jones Lang Wootton argues that for redemption of Letters B was yields on prime property of 9-10 for industrial use and was thus per cent compare favourably unattractive to holders. In its with prevailing interest rates. April-September - land - sales forecast, however, the Govern-kong's future have reached i ment will be putting out a stalemate over the issue of record 900,000 sq ft of residen- sovereignty. Recovery of the tial land in the New Territories economy, with its reliance on for such exchange - 41 per cent exports, is on the cards, but of sites allocated for this category of land use.

The market conditions have w meth more applications than can be ft of residential land, most of it in the prime South Hongkong duction is running at a modest Island zone, will be available for sale "by auction or tender on Furthermore, the Government is using this cooling-off
period to repay a curious and
complicated land debt of more
than 100 million square feet to
letters. By helders, Letters, By reflect the base market value for Letters B holders. Letters B reflect the base market value for were issued to New Territories the site. The eventual sale price land owners whose property should not go below this value.

Analysts are divided as to when the property market will As these land exchange recover from its present slump. Meanwhile, talks on Hong-

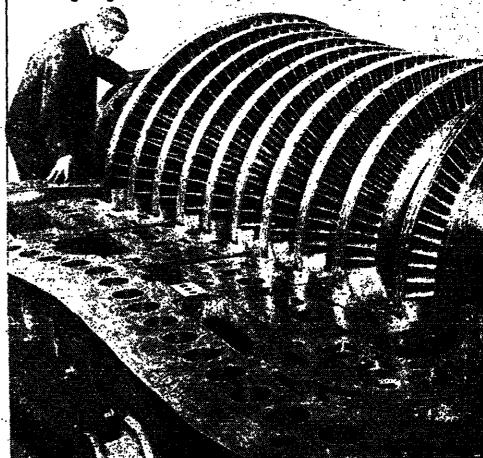
unless Peking allows a continuation of some form of official British presence in the territory of after 1997, confidence in Hongcircumstances, companies can at best look forward to avoiding further

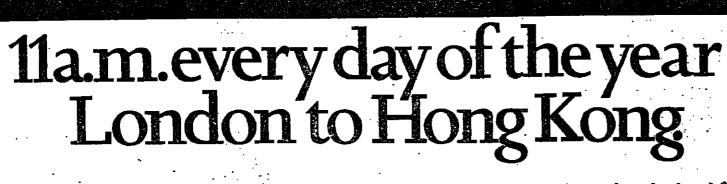
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To put over this tale, Miss Deegan has hit on the homely but effective device of a school

play, beginning with staff charting to parents in the stalls and ending with a rousing performance of the school

anthem. In between, we get lots of fun at Angela Brazil's

expense, but not at the expense

of the story - which had

ing Daisy on to her concluding

The production pulls this off through a seamless collabora-

tion between the author and her

director, David Gilmore. Miss

Deegan gets some of her best

Theatre

England's finest

if there were an interconnecting Monday night's audience cheer-

roost from Southampton's effects from mixing in dialogue Nuffield Theatre, Daisy Pulls It with third-person narrative.

Off has found the perfect Clare (Kate Buffery), the specified than the perfect of
London address, though no-body is going to mark it up, like the adjoining entertainment, as a devastating anatomy of the British public school system.

Clare (Kate Dunety), the special did head girl, is interrogating two wrongdoers; then she turns and informs us that "the corners of Clare's mouth twitched". Then she twitches

Grangewood School for Girls them.

is a true blue Angela Brazil
academy where class recitations on heroic statements of the of "The Mariners of England" obvious, knot", Daisy announce and unaccompanied choruses of es, standing with a pile of sheets "Cherry Ripe" come a poor second to the search for family key words like or "clinging to a treasure and a cliff rescue in a ledge", which Mr Gilmore's heroding states.

howling storm. It is a bumper thump home in verbal italics as

annual and, true to form, its if no one had ever heard of such heroine is an elementary school things before.

girl who strikes a gallant blow Another good reason for against class privilege before welcoming the show is that it discovering she has Grade A features the Southampton cast

blood in her veins.

From the moment of her Alexandra Mathie's idealized awed arrival, of course, Daisy Daisy, it is an excellent course out too in everything to

comes out top in everything to company, thoroughly drilled in the rage of her two snobbish the mannish gym-slip and

classmates who entrap her with mortar board routines, but full

every device known to the of individual comic detail that fourth-form mind before the never overbalances into gross guileless heroine routs them in a caricature. Look out for Edita

multiple climax of life-saving. Brychia's poisonous Sybil, and treasure hunting and a famous Helena Little's Trixie, "poet victory on the hockey field, not and madcap of the upper to mention finding her long-lost fourth". Irving Wardle father.

triumphs.

Daisy Pulls It Off

With Julian Mitchell's Another Country playing almost next door, the Globe and the Queen's now preside over Shaf-

tesbury Avenue like a venerable

educational establishment, and

door between the two buildings

you could imagine a hefty

school sergeant on duty to prevent Mr Mitchell's depraved

boys from getting in among Denise Deegan's innocent

young ladies. Coming in to

Grangewood School for Girls them.

Globe

THE ARTS

Television When the scalpel slips

becomes an object, a thing to be probed or dissected, and in such circumstances it is peculiarly difficult to assert any ordinary personality. A patient must be patient, resigned to his or her fate. That was the lesson of Medical Mistakes: Who Pays the Price? (Thames) which examined the consequences of accidents which occur during

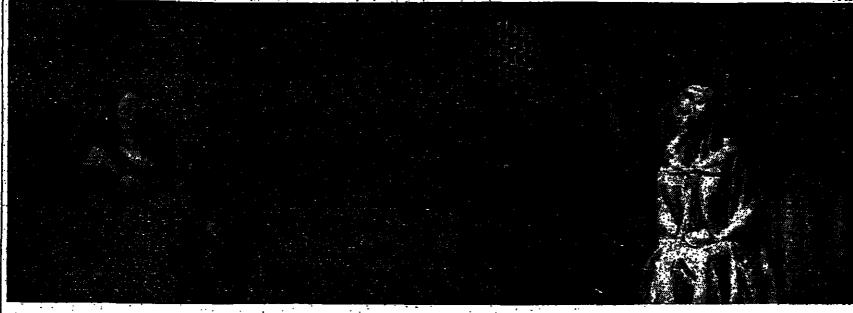
The "price" can be serious injury or even death; the price in financial terms hardly seemed to matter to the people who were interviewed last night They are not concerned with compensation, simply for explanation: Why did my son die? Why is my husband on a life-support machine? In many cases - if I may paraphrase the poet - "and answer came there none". The surgeons or doctors involved often refused to explain what had happened, or even to apologise for any (or course hypothetical) errors of judgment or practice. This must in part stem from

a natural feeling of guilt or shame. But in many cases it seems to have been simply a professional calculation: if they admit responsibility, they may be sued. But the complainants are also dealing with a "caring" profession which has, in the past at least, characteristically taken a distant or patronizing attitude towards its clients - an sititude compounded by many patients themselves who regard doctors with awe or respect. They will often become stoical, or merely resigned, after they have been afflicted by a medical

calamity.

Last night's programme was, in that sense, an examination of that neutral territory in which tuman beings become the objects of institutionalized care no amount of "caring" or of false cheerfulness can disguise the fact that the important thing about them is the name-tag attached to their wrists. It is a labyrinthine world, also, where those who seek redress for medical injuries find themselves obstructed at every turn. One couple, whose daughter had died after treatment for epilepsy, consulted four solicitors, three barristers and five medical experts. After five years, they are no closer to discovering the real reasons for

As always in television programmes of this kind, the individual horror story'- with the victims or relatives talking about their specific experiences is more dramatic and more powerful than the generalized or analytical responses of the experts". Clearly the doctors analytical can make out a case for their behaviour some operations are necessarily hazardous or who sual the excessive threat of litigation inhibits proper medical treatment in the United States, and so on. It was to the raised these points, also, and enamined the whole problem of medical liability in a lucid and ensensational manner.



Act I Scene 2: Regine Crespin (left) and Felicity Lott in the convent parlour

Орега

Marvellous display of vocal heroism

The Carmelites

Covent Garden

Life offers few pleasures like that of bearing Felicity Lott and Valerie Masterson singing on the same stage. Unfortunately there is a price to be paid. You have to sit through Poulenc's Dialogues des Carmelites, and it does, I fear, take a rather special taste to enjoy nuns exchanging sweet plantudes for three hours before one by one they have their heads chopped off, the serial executions all too graphically presented. Singing the Salve Regina in a diminishing chorus, gazing firmly heavenward the while, the sisters take their turns to rush off to the right and meet their doom in a guillotine sound compounded of gristle and steel.

If the whole opera were on that splendidly grotesque level, then it might be applanded as an exercise in bad taste. In fact, though, the only rival to this final scene is in the second act where tenor priest and nuns' chorus embark on the Ave verum corpus to whooshing harp and sumptuous nightclub harmonies in the strings. The

justification for this revival therefore has to be found elsewhere, and it comes first and foremost from the magnificence of the singing rarely can so much artistry have been lavished on so

What might be accounted another virtue of the evening is its historical authenticity. Against this day Covent Garden have been storing the dark chocolate habits and the prison-grey convent setting for Margarita Walmann's production, unused since 1963. Madame Wallmann was Poulenc's choice of producer for the world première at La Scala in 1957, and she repeated her staging for Covent Garden a year later; happily she has also been able to return to supervise this revival, sung as before in English.

There is another link with the past, as readers of Monday's page will be aware, in Regine Crespin, who in the first French production took the part of the lively voiced new prioress, now sung by Miss Masterson. This time round Madame Crespin is the old prioress, Madame de Croissy, a dramatic role that cruelly points up the fact that she is the only non-Englishspeaking member of the cast. Her

voice, too, is stormy and, though she acts with gusto in her death scene, she is sadly let down at this point by the score, which steals blatantly from the equivalent moment in Boris Godunov.

Nor is that the end of Poulenc's thefts. His orchestral music is filled with a good deal of Stravinsky that Stravinsky never wrote, as well as some that he did. Even so, this is much the most inventive and at times even exciting aspect of the opera, and it is good to hear it presented with so much life and attack as it is here under Michel Plasson.

The singers have a lot less to get their teeth into. Poulenc keeps offering them phrases which sound like introductions to popular songs, which settle on the right sort of cadence, but which then stop for another introduction. Felicity Lott as Sister Blanche is perhaps more than anyone else the victim of this deadening style, and it is greatly to her credit that she keeps up her enthusiasm right through the performance, com-plete with a nice portrait of disabling fear and a marvellous display of vocal heroism. The snivels never get into the singing the sound is ringingly true, even when a phrase starts dangerously

impression that she believes in her character even if nobody else can. She could not otherwise weight the words so clearly and significantly.

It is also a tremendous night for Miss Masterson, her voice a stream of liquid silver but at the same time lusciously human. In her big number in the third act, where Poulenc does at last write something like a major aria, she makes a sound so beautiful one wishes it could go on for ever, no matter what she is actually singing about. And, as if these two outstanding sopranos were not enough, there is a third, Lillian Watson, who is brilliant as the young Sister Constance, pure as a little bell but with every word intact.

Robin Leggate takes his opportunities for lyrical finesse as the Chevalier de la Force, John Dobson passes unscathed through the maudlin part of the Father Confessor (he is the valiant sole survivor from the last revival) and Pauline Tinsley lends an excellent forceful high register to Mother Marie. There is good work also from other Carmelites too numerous to

Paul Griffiths

Concert Romantic spread

LPO/Lopez-Cobos Festival Hall

Whoever at the LPO counted them all out and counted them back in again on Monday must have been in trouble: two recalcitrant trumpet players sidled on during the first movement of the Schumann Piano Concerto. We lost, I the tension) was splendid. suppose, some thirteen notes and pretty uninteresting ones they are too – but it says little either for the players' professionalism or for the observ-Lonez-Cobos, that such an

It provided only a momentary distraction, however, from an absorbing and unusual account of the solo part by András Schiff. He is usually associated with the tighter, closed structures of Bach and Mozart, and rarely spreads himself on this romantic scale; but, having decided to indulge, he did so with the utmost freedom and panache. Each phrase was swept from the keyboard, sometimes with a momentary awkwardness but always with an exact sense of

where the climax was to occur,

incident can occur.

Schiff's playing gave the impression that every idea had been carefully rethought: the marvellous first movement cadenza found its central point of tension at a most unusual place. The slow movement, so often merely pretty, was dug deep into the keyboard without losing its essential grace, and the transition to the finale (with bass octaves and momentarily held-back chords heightening

There was little rhythmic ant eyes of the conductor, Jesus interval; with his broad, noble, gestures and confident mien, ho ks the epitome of romantic conductor, and he certainly seems to give his players what they need. But the music needs more, and the spiky, startling quality of Sibelius's inventiveness was rarely hinted at in this comfortable, at times rousing, but generally unfocused reading. To begin, Lopez-Cobos tried to bring a little Spanish warmth to Vaughan Williams's Tallis Fantasia, which was about as successful as a zarzuela in an English cathedral.

Nicholas Kenvon

The Haunted Manor John Lewis

John Lewis Music Society to

previous productions of operas sponse to James Robertson's seldom to be found elsewhere. conducting. The Beggar's Opera

While Handel reigns supreme this week at his Hanover Square festival, one of the chaps who almost ruined his operatic career in London, John Gay, is holding the stage farther north

Sadler's Wells

In this instance Moniuszko

The story as such is naive act, but the haunting scene runs provides them with several and pretty dotty. It involves a out of steam long before it is rousing or charming choruses; a couple of officer brothers who over, and final explanations, handful of character roles not yow never to marry in case their involving such Englishry as too far beyond the scope of country should need them "Grandfather multiplied the Not many operagoers, unless too far beyond the scope of country should be superiorized they are Polish, will claim much amateur singers; a merry macroperiorized of Moninszko, who zurka near the end for which the bour's they are also unduly properties of Moninszko, who zurka near the end for which the bour's they are also unduly properties active in the mid-nine. Mazury Dance Company take persuades them otherwise, but longed Chris de Souza's direction shows a firm focus of visual attention in acceptably teenth century, some time the stage with a swirling of not until after they have spent a tion shows a firm focus of between Chopin and Szyma-akirts and a stamping of boots; night for a supposedly haunted visual attention in acceptably nowski. His comic opera The four or five leading roles ancestral gallery proving that simple designs by Riccardo Haunted Manor (1865) is this needing (and getting) more they are not the cowards that Isotta, and a keen involvement year's choice by the enterprising accomplished attention; and some imaginative orch add to an impressive list of writing played with good re-

> repeat tomorrow their Beggar's violence, which run, through Opera which was first seen last Gay's play. His homage to summer at Aldeburgh Now, as Pincell is there to be enjoyed. thing in the evening, richly and into fond remembrance. haddly performed by the small Nicholas Hytner's spotlit Kent Opera Orchestra under "tableaux", subtly phased in Graeme Jenkins, and with the and out of the action, are

liability in a lucid and ional manner.

Kent Opera, at the end of gently suggests the cross-curproduction already weak in their tour, brought to Rosebery rents of tenderness and cynideas, though now considerably Avenue on Monday and will cism, of sentiment, farce and tighter in ensemble contemporary and folk songs, it the overall dramatic pacing of a production already weak in ideas, though now considerably tighter in ensemble contemporary and folk songs, it the overall dramatic pacing of a production already weak in ideas, though now considerably tighter in ensemble contemporary and folk songs, it is they weaken to contemporary and folk songs, it is contemporary and folk songs.

then, Britten's realization of the while Gay's satire on opera burlesque score is by far the best seria's. "simile" arias is softened

same strong cast.

In its deft instrumentation of what we hear, both in pace

All this farrago is slow to take had one plum aria in "When musical wing, which it does in duty calls", which she sang with an excellently crafted second attractive agility, and a tenor It seemed again that, in many ways, Britten's music is the work's worst enemy: it lessens the chances for a consistently

The soprano Julia Dewhurst

gripping, rough-and-tumble production, with the tough wit and momentum with which Richard Eyre at the National, for one, has been able to carry the piece along.

But since, in Kent Opera's production, the music is all, there is plenty to enjoy. Gordon Sandison's Macheath evolves splendidly in vocal and physical strength to the powerful about-

romance was given ardent spirit by David Fint. His brother officer and the second sister were capably sung by Martin Nelson and Amanda Hughes-Jones, as was the girls' father by Peter Allanson. The musical style is less that of Glinka and Smetana, as claimed in some references, than Auber and Flotow, and there are further performances (in the audi-torium at 4 Old Cavendish Street) tonight and on Friday.

Noël Goodwin

turn finale: Thomas Hemsley is a nicely characterized Lockit; Eirian James is in glorious wide-ranging voice as Polly Peachum; and Vaninne Parker is a valiant, tenderly individuated stand-in for an indisposed Anne Pashley as Lucy Lockit.

Johanna Peters, the only real character actor among them, lifts the last act with her tallywoman Mrs Trapes, a delightful piece of drag-acting turned on its head.

Hilary Finch

The New York stage

Neil Simon as he wanted to be

climaxes, but the mai impact the street inguished by an impeccate on largely dreary New York theatre tinguished by an impeccate on anti-depressant effect, is runs cased has begun like a Robert Morton in a 1980 anti-depressant effect, is runs cased has begun like a Robert Morton in a 1980 anti-depressant effect, is runs cased has begun like a Robert Morton in a 1980 anti-depressant effect, is runs cased in the street of dramas about the fate of one of reaching a crest in Quarter-two characters are alternating maine. Mr Ramsay has openings with plays encompass—emerged as probably the best openings with plays encompass emerged as probably the best ing many lives. The latter are native American actor of British riskier than ever financially, but characters. Tall and stolid, with three appear set to enjoy the an unusual voice which can combination of artistic and blend falsetto and baritone in a commercial success which has single phrase, he plays Quarter-eluded most straight plays this maine with a physical grace theatrical year. which clearly links the character

Playhouse 91, a handsome new guilelessly awash amongst Off-Broadway theatre. Fore adults who are swimming most among the attractions of furiously. With unerring pro-the production, imported from portion, Remak Ramsay mate-the Long Wharf Theatre in New realizes just enough for a Haven, Connecticut, is Remak Ramsay's Quartermaine.

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The Dake's home now restored to

its original splendour.

Last acts are often anti-Maggie Smith in the 1975 climaxes, but the final third of a Broadway Private Lives, discrepely dreary New York theatre tingmished by an impeccable Sir The parade began with with the endangered swan mentioned in the play. Mentally Terms, which has settled in at he appears an earnest toddler, character whose presence is

virtually an absence.

Beginning with an engagingly A play revival approximate bombastic Victor opposite in ment to the lovingly

recircated musical On Your Toes, and coincidentally of the parches in the writing and fussy bits of direction aside, Kaufman and Hart's comedy has at least as much to say about living and loving today as it did to its first audiences in 1936, and a Broadway cast obviously enraptured with saying it. Mr Rabb has choreographed

not only stars shooting off-sparks, particularly Jason Robards as a benignly sagacious patriarch and Elizabeth Wilson as an appealingly dizzy matriarch. He has also cast Maureen Anderman and Nicolas Surovy neither by age or type an ingenue or juvenile - as the young lovers, and trusted their formidable skill and charm to play sweet-talk potentially dampening to audiences today with the intensity and awaken-ing sensuality of Romeo and Juliet. The overall effect is genial and rousing, as if someone were gaily tandancing to "The Star-Spangled Banner".

The greatest tomic of all to New York theatre is a good new American play, and Brighton Beach Memoirs (Alvin Theatre) is Neil Simon's best since The Odd Couple. Mr Simon has always had a distinctive voice. but beginning with Plaza Suite in 1968 he seemed to be arguing with himself. One voice spoke his famous gags, another yelped in anguish. The two blended uneasily, contradicting more often than complementing each other, making much of the work appear mean-spirited, slick and

dishonest.

Perhaps however, Neil Simon was being too honest. An unithashedly autobiographical and dedicated playwright who constantly avowed his desire to write truthfully and not for easy limits. he liet his inner for easy loose to contend with the comic



Often the demons befouled the cocious memoirs with spirit, but one could see the audience. spirit asserting command with I'

look at his adolesence through called Eugene. Bright and saucy, charged with sexual urges which plague and tantalize him like firecrackers, exploding in an endless row, Eugene wants to be

spirit which orders his vision, a writer and shares his

Set in a Jewish home in Ought To Be in Pictures in Brooklyn during the De-1980. Brooklyn during the De-pression, the play features Victory is achieved in Brigh conflicts engendered by two ton Beach Memoirs, Simon's poor families - Eugene's and his widowed aunt's - living togethadmittedly rose-tinted spec-tacles, the kind Eugene O'Neill of wills and needs, financial and wore when he wrote about his health crises, physical and wished-for boyhood in Ah, emotional attrition. Too many Wilderness! By coincidence or conflicts too nearly resolved design, Simon's 15-year-old self mar the second act, but, in his coming-of-age play is however cramped, they are true to the characters' natures and circumstances, and are illuminated by Eugene's droll obser-

vations Gags are few; humour allied



The bravura of Zeljko Ivanek (top left) and Matthew Broderick in Brighton Beach Memoirs: Jason Robards benign and Elizabeth Wilson dizzy in You Can't Take It With You: and Remak Ramsay's command of British character in Quartermaine's Terms

when Eugene says, after his mother yells at him for the umpteenth time, "If I told her just lost both my hands, she'd tell me to go upstairs and wash my face with my feet". Brighton Beach Memoirs, acted with special bravura by Matthew Broderick as Eugene and Zeljko Ivanek as his older brother, shows us Neil Simon as the comedy writer he wanted to be, and is in this play: exposing wounds wrought by human folly and the world and comforting them with a skilfully mixed elixir of laughter and

Holly Hill



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Bassishaw has expressed a quite different philosophy. Its stated aim is to restore UDS to its proper position as a leading and highly competitive High Street retailer.

The assurances from Bassishaw are specific and positive. The fact that its members include the pension funds of the National Coal Board, the Post Office and British Rail, strengthens our belief that it will carefully consider employment issues.

Our profits estimates for the year to January 29th 1983 show that the remedial action taken last year to improve profitability and efficiency has already made a positive impact. They confirm our belief that Bassishaw's proposals for the businesses are entirely realistic.

Turnover has risen. Profit before taxation is up by 62%. Earnings per 25p stock unit have increased by 87%. During the first eleven weeks of 1983, sales were approximately 15% ahead of the same period last year.

What we recommend

If your sole interest is in getting the maximum price for your holding, doubtless you will accept the Hanson Trust offer.

But if you consider it more responsible to preserve a major independent force in Britain's High Streets, and with it the prospects of our employees, you may consider a few pence per share an acceptable cost.

Although two of your non-executive Directors recommend you to accept the offer from Hanson Trust, in the view of six of your Board's eight Directors Bassishaw offers you a fair price for your holding and better prospects for your Company and its employees.

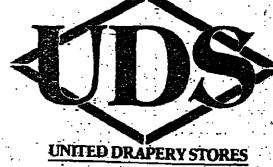
Our advice is clear.

Reject the Hanson Trust offer. Accept the Bassishaw offer.

Our financial advisers, Charterhouse Japhet, endorse the legitimacy of this advice and believe stockholders should give it the strongest

should give it the strongest possible consideration.

Please think very carefully before you make your decision.



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City Comment

Looking for

a UDS

solution

The main problem for

shareholders judging the rival offers for UDS is the lack of credibility of either

of the stores group's board-

Both started by con-demning the first bid from

the Bassishaw consortium.

They split when the non-

executives wanted to back

a higher Bassishaw offer,

both were then upstaged by

Hanson Trust, which

gained approval from the

executive majority on the ground that it was not a

property developer and

would keep the businesses

trading. The ruling Lyons

family preferred Hanson's paper to Bassishaw's cash.

Now, however, the non-

executives prefer Hanson's latest bid, which is higher

and offers a choice of cash

or paper. The executives,

on the other hand, have

wrong assurances from

Bassishaw that it wants to

retain all the important

businesses, have joined with the unions to back

room factions.

STOCK EXCHANGES

FT Index: 685.2 down 9.8 FT Gilts: 81.68 down 0.51 FT All Share: 437.46 down

Tring Half USM Index: 172.8 Tokyo: 8541.86 down 40.67 Hongkong: Hang Seng Index, New York: Dow Jones Average (latest) 1178.12 up 5.12

CURRENCIES

LONDON CLOSE Sterling \$1.5520 down 95 Index 83.8 unchanged DM 3.81 Yen 368.50

index 122.9 up 0.1 DM 2.4520 down 75 pts \$439.50 down £2

INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates: Base rates 10 ° 3 month interbank 10% 10%

Euro-currency rates: 3 month dollar 91/15-93/18 3 month DM51/16-415/16 3 month FrF133/4-131/2

ECCD Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period March 2 to April 5, 1983 inclusive: 10.974 per

PRICE CHANGES

Bastian Int 12p up 2p Massey-F 235p up 30p Websters Grp 61p up 6p. Mills & Allen 400p up 39p East Dagga 353p up 32p Husky Oil 535p up 35p Balckwd Hodge 18

Talbex 614p down 1.p Johnson & FB 9p down 1p Marier Ests 92p down 2p M James Ind 22p down 2p

TODAY

Interims: Dublier, Wade Pot-

Barrow Geoburn Biddle Hogs, A and C Black Brit Syphon, Brixton Ests Chesterfield Props, Danish Bacon, Fogarty, Haden, Hawk-er Siddeley, Minet, RMC, Secs Trst of Scotland, W H Smith, Steel Bros, Sun Life Assoc, Triplevest, Utd Parcels, Wad-

Economic statistics; indices of Average Earnings (February), indices of Basic rates of wages (March), indus-trial and commercial companies capital account and net borrowing requirements (4th

BL 'faces fierce competition'

Sir Austin Bide, chairman of BL said in his annual review vesterday that the company faces fierce competition from the world vehicle industry and must continue to reduce its fixed and variable costs in real terms if it is to match the advances being made by foreign

reduced by 11 per cept in real

There will have to be further increases in productivity, more effective use of manufacturing facilities and continued rationalization of products and compo nents so that the latest automated manufacturing techniques can be used to maximum effect, Sir Austin said.

In 1982 fixed costs were

• STERLING RISES: The pound rose to a new threemonth high of \$1.57 against the dollar and touched its highest average level this year in early trading yesterday. But after profit-taking it finished nearly a cent down from Monday at \$1.5520, leaving its trade-weighted index unchanged at 83.8

after opening at 84.5. SURVIVAL PACKAGE: Sir Robert Atkinson, chairman of British Shipbuilders, yesterday presented a package_of survival measures to the Department of industry. Ministers will now consider his call for special credit arrangements for dometic ship owners, the mothballing of some shappards and more money for redusdancy payments. Sir Robert has urged workers to accept a pay Bank for International Sente-freeze in return to more aid.

Industrial Petebook, page 21 and acts as a kind of central

PAKISTAN AID: Britain yesterday pledged, at a World acceleration in lending.

Bank consortium meeting in

Paris, a further £20m of project.

But the total external

PROFITS RISE: American by only \$33,500m (£21,600m) Express yesterday reported a 37 in the quarter. Measured in per cent gain in first quarter net incustant dollars this was half income from \$118m to \$162m the rate of the preceeding three of the year was \$1,687,000m.

(£105m).

turn

Wall Street stocks were retreating last night The Dow Jones industrial Average was off about 6 1-2 points at 1,176. Its initial loss had been cut to about 2 1-2 points before the

Declining issues were still 4-to-3 shead of advances in active

Mr Robert Mintz, vice president at Philips Appel & Walden, said that "the market. two weeks ago showed the same kind of resistance to selling pressure that we are seeing here.

"It may be pointless to expect the market to continue higher after eight days of advance but still there is no selling pressure; so you have to look at it on a -to-day basis,'

General Electric was off 3 at 110 1-4, International Business Machines off 5-8 at 111 1-2, Johnson & Johnson up 1-2 at 48 1-4, American Telephone & Telegraph up 1-8 at 67 3-4, Exxon off 3-8 at 33, Federal Express down 1 3-8 to 82 1-4 American Express off 1-2 at 67, Union Carbide off I-4 at 61 7-8 and Merck up 3-8 to 84 1-4. General Public Utilities is up 1 at 8.5-8. The Supreme Court

said nuclear regulators do not have to consider psychological stress in the licensing process. The ruling came in an appeal involving restarting one of the two reactors at the Three Mile Island plant Pennsylvania, owned by a unit of General

Texas Instruments was 161 1 8 down 2 1-2, Teledyne 142 1-8 down 1 5-8.

Shop union | Lloyd's hires experts backs **Bassishaw**

By Graham Searjeant

The Union of Shop, Distribu-tive and Allied Workers, which represents most employees of the UDS group has urged shareholders to take the advice of the boardroom majority and accept a lower takeover bid from the Bassishaw consortium. rather than the bid from Hanson Trust, which is giving no specific assurances over the future of the UDS businesses or

The shopworkers said yester day that it had received hundreds of telephone calls from anxious employees after the UDS board had sent round details of the different assurances given by the two rival

The UDS board yesterday ent another circular to share holders, contrasting a series of assurances from Bassinshaw over the future of the Richard Shops and John Collier chains in particular with the lac. of guarantees from Hanson.

Hanson announced yesterday that it has acceptances for 10.3 per cent of UDS shares, although its hid does not close until Friday. With prior hold-ings and a further 250,000 shares bought yesterday, this gives Hanson 22.75 per cent of

Bassishaw controls 15 per cent and the board about 1 per

Bassishaw's bird closes on

Wall St stocks

to Essa, one of the largest oil companies in the United King-

price-setter should be reviewed in the light of the recent oil

Select Committee on Energy, disclosed yesterday, the three companies all argue that the way BNOC is statutority required to operate has been proved inadequate and mappinpriate by the recent fall in oil

believe that the reasons which struggled to avoid a violent. While the corporation was led to the formation of BNOC price cut. The views of the three retained by the present govern-

significantly exceed the Government's £8,000m target for 1983-

84, making fiscal policy more relaxed than planned the London Business School says

today. It suggests this may add

to pressures next year from rising world inflation and the

The main criticism in its

post-Budget assessment con-cern5t the small contingency reserve and the explicit allow-

ance for underspend on depart-

By Andrew Cornelius

Mr Ian Davison, the chief

xecutive of Lloyd's of London.

is hiring three advisers at a cost

of £100,000 a year to smoothe

the introduction of self-regulation measures for the

The advisers have been

drawn from Whitehall and the

legal and accountancy pro-fessions and will report directly

to Mr Davison, who was

brought in to improve the image of the market two

months ago. Mr Daison hinted

vesterday that he would further

expand the advisory team if

opportunity arises. He said the

appointments made it "a terrific

ment of Trade's insurance division; Mr David Stebbings, a

former senior partner of Fresh-

fields, a firm of solicitors, and a

member of the Higgins working

party on divestment and divorce

of interests at Lloyd's; and Mr

Richard Wilkes, a senior partner of Price Waterhouse, the

accountancy firm, and a past

president of the Institute of

Mr Davison said that the

appointments would reduce

Lloyd's annual spending of over £5m on fees to acuside pro-

essionals. He stressed that the

appointments were made by

Mr Brown, who is an expert

Chartered Accountants

insurance market.

day for Lloyd's".

for new controls

The three advises are Mr Companies Bill's since 1967, Philip Brown, who is due to has been given three-year retire as head of the Depart-contract at about £25,000 year

In evidence to the Commons

By Jonathan Davis, Energy Correspondent state-owned British are no longer valid, and BNOC. National Oil Corporation serves no useful role as a should be abelished, according government agency and steps should be taken to remove it.

However, Mr Nigel Lawson. dom. BP and Shell, the two Secretary of State for Energy, other many North Sea oil defended the role played by producing companies, also BNOC and the Government believe that the oil trading over the last two months in corporations role as North Sea steking to stabalize world oil prices. Britain had no power to set the North Sea price in defiance of market forces, he told the MPs, but had used its influence to help avoid damaging violent fluctuations in the price. "But we will do no deals with Opee." he repeated.

review of BNOC's role has become increasingly evident in recent weeks as Opec has struggled to avoid a violent

State borrowing target 'at risk'

By Frances Williams, Economics Correspondent

There is a higher than usual mental budgets, used to dam-risk that public borrowing will pen the Government's spending to their cash limits in 1982-83.

monetarist economic thinking is close to that of the Govern-ment, says that, unlike last year,

costs are unlikely to fall below expectations while departments.

having gained more experience of how cash limits operate, will

spend closer to their budgets.

The LBS assessment was

written before the revelation

last week that Government

Davison: Terrific dav

contract at about £25,000 year

for a two-and-a-half day week

Mr Stebbings and Mr Wilker

The council has decided to

continue delegating most of its

powers to the Committee of

Lloyd's, which is made up of the 16 working members of the

council for a further six

months. But the council will

decide how the market will

function to meet the require-

The council has decided that

ments of the Lloyd's Act 1982.

its 12 external members should

not hold any appointment with

a Lloyd'd underwriting agent or

broker, and should not engage

in any professional practice

within the Lloyd's community

have one-year contracts



Steps 'should be taken to remove BNOC'

State oil corporation serves

Lawson: defended BNOC's role

oil companies - between them The need for a thorough they produce more than 50 per cent of all North Sea - are the most explicit call so far for its role to be changed.

Taking Government spend-

ing and revenue projections at face value, the LBS predicts public borrowing this year of £8,600m. Economic growth is

expected to rise from 1.8 per

cent in 1983 to 2.0 per cent in 1984 - as the LBS forcast in

February. Inflation is forecast to

average 5.8 per cent this year

increasing to 7.7 per cent next

year, Defying the art of forecasting, Page 21

Strikes

restaurants

for USM

By Sally White

Strikes, London hamburger restaurant chain, is to be launched on the unlisted securi-

ties market by its parent company, Comfort Hotels, which will retain 90 per cent of

the equity. Dealings are ex-pected to start next Monday.

The launch is via a placing of

supplies in the event of future stable, but in times of shortage shortages, its obligation to and uncertainty if found itself bandle more than one million unduly exposed. By having to barrels a day of North Sea crude. at a time of oil surplus and falling prices has proved to be a difficult and embarrassing one for the Government

Esso said that BNOC was faced with an "almost impossible" trading role by having to buy large amounts of participation oil on term contracts and having to re-sell it on a short-

This put BNOC in a financially-valuerable position and, said Esso, "its trading function can clearly be performed ef-ficiently and effectively by the market place"

Shell argue that the United Kingdom could do little to

ment to secure British oil world market when prices were dispose of all participation oil. BNOC appears to have had conferred upon it in times of uncertainty a price leadership role which surely was not envisaged at the time of its

> BP contended that BNOC faced major difficulties in carrying out its oil trading role in view of the diverse nature and aims of its many suppliers and cus-tomers. Its need to fix a single North Sea price was particularly inflexible, and this should be

Mr Lawsonn believes that no changes in BNOC's structure can be achieved realistically until the present turbulent market conditions have abated.

Savoy Hotel goes

£1.8m into profit

Sir Hugh Wontner's Savoy Hotel group reported a £2.4m profit improvement for last year. The Savoy, whose hotel chain includes Claridges and the Connaught, has moved from a loss of £604,000 in 1981 to a profit of £1.8m last year.

The first compliment yesterday on this about-turn came from Lord Forte, chairman of Trusthouse Forte, the world's biggest hotel chain which has designs on acquiring the Savoy

Group. Lord Forte commented: Part of this improvement is due to further sales of assets. But my company (THF) being by far the largest shareholder, I am glad to see some progress being made. I hope it con-

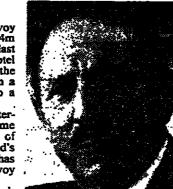
Mr Giles Shepherd, manag-ing director of the Savoy, admitted that £1m of the improved profit came from a reduction in interest charges after the sale of some of the Savoy Hotel frontage on the

Strand to a subsidiary Ladbroke group. "But",

600,000 share by bankers Henry Ansbacher and brokers Vickers de Costa. The company says once a market has been established in the shares they will be used to finance further expansion. The placing was at

Strikes has 23 outlets, of which 18 trade under the name of Strikes, four as American Wimpy Bar.

Pretax profits for 1982 were 648,000 on a turnover of £5.03m. On thet basis dividends of 1.35p would have been paid, giving a yield at the placing price of 4.1 per cent.



pointed out, "the other £1.4m has come from better profit from operations. It is expected that the present year will show a further improvement

tially - shareholders this year get 30 per cent more than they did last year.

Imperial cuts sale price

which include such well-known names as Buxted chicken of which £19.2m was paid at once and £29m was to have been paid over four years. This balance has now been reduced to £20m but it will have to be

that Hillsdon was not totally happy with what it discovered after the purchase. Since last May it has been forced into a coupled with write-offs and

Imperial Group, the tobacco and brewing combine, has slashed £9m off the selling price of the poultry, egg and meat businesses it sold to the privately owned Hillsdon Hold-

paid off in full by next October.

The new price reflects the fact rationalization. ings last May.

Hillsdon had then agreed to redundancies, particularly at the for the businesses Buxted, and at one stage, the imperial

It now seems happy with the

Lord Forte: first compliment

To reinforce its faith in its prospects, the Savoy Group has acrerased its dividend substan-

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Group annual accounts, it was considering trying to reclaim £24m from Imperial to compen-

Bassishaw and are trying to persuade the 16 mainly institutional groups that control 40 per cent of UDS to lie back and think of England. They are not likely to succeed. There is a further compli cation. The original UDS defence against Bassishaw, set up by bankers Hill Samuel, was to sell the Richard Shops and John Collier chains to rival

Burton. Part of the logic of this deal must be rationalization. Hanson is keeping its options open.

The credibility of Bassishaw depends on it having as chief executive chairman of Burton. Bassishaw would not sell to Burton.

indeed, the likely final solution looks something like this. Hanson wins more of UDS than Bassishaw, but not enough to avoid a stalemate. Bassishaw then offers two deals. Hanson could buy off Bassishaw by raising its bid to 140p a share cash, which would cost a hefty £13m. More likely, Hansen will sell the vulnerable Shons/Collier Richard

return for its cooperation. By this ludicrous and circuitous route, shareholders, bidders and employees might all reach an acceptable solution.

on company law through his which conflicts with their duties involvement in drafting several as council members. British Steel cuts loss to £6m a week

him and the ruling council.

British Steel has cut its losses by a third but is still losing money at the rate of £6m a week, the corporation has told

us workers. In the latest issue of Steel News, the BSC newspaper, the corporation adds: Without industrial peace, all our efforts and the currency exchange rates will not enable us to put an endto the losses which threaten our

The BSC said that the strikes in its South Yorkshire division. caused by the announcement of compulsory redundancies, could undermine the recovery. Progress could also be hit by failure the cash in on the BSC's greatly improved levels of

in its report on International

Banking Developments for the last three months of 1982, the

bankers' central bank, says that the period normally sees an

But the total external assets

of reporting banks in the 14

biggest inclustrial nations grew

efficiency and cost competitive industries is highlighted in the ness and the pound's drop latest OECD bulletin of the ness and the pound's drop

against other currencies. "Our share of the United Kingdom market is better than for a long time, but demand in that market is still so weak that our bigger share is of little cent down on 1981. Average account-yet."

The corporation, which in-January saw its losses climb to in 1981 to 58 per cent and form a week following the employment dropped by an collapse of steel demand late unprecedented 10 per cent with last year, has been given until March 1985 to break even and a revised corporate plan for the

Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development which shows that output among member countries fell by 63m tonnes last year. This was 16 per tion declined from 69 per cent unprecedented 10 per cent with 150,000 steel workers losing

their jobs.
Steel exports to developing next three years is still being studied by Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of Industry.

The full extent of the cent in demand in the OECD countries declined; but the main

countries, plus Austria Den-

The rate at which Open

members' deposits, are being run down doubled from

\$3,800m in the third quarter to

\$7,900m in the last quarter.

Withdrawals for the year came

World debt level reflects caution

Bank lending growth slackens

Caution about the state of the increase in the final quarter of Group of Ten biggest industrial international financial system For many banks the financial mark, Ireland and Switzerland. restrained the rate at which lending by banks in leading year is the same as the calendar and the offshore branches of year. Lending tends to rise American banks in the Bahaindustrial countries grew during the final quarter of 1982. towards the end of the year so mas, the Cayman Islands, Withdrawals by members of the as to swell balance sheets to a Panama, Hongkong and Singa-Organization of Petroleum more impressive size in the pore. Exporting Countries continued accounts. The easiest way to and lending to Latin America window-dress the accounts is

declined for the first time since inter-bank lending. But inter-bank lines of credit have been among the most troublesome kind of lending to heavily indebted countries such as Brazil. So worries about the ultimate recipient of such funds cut interbank lending within the reporting area to \$20,000m compared with \$49,000m, itself a lower figure, in the previous quarter and \$63,500m in the same period of 1981.

the increase in lending by the

reporting banks fell last year to \$173,600m from \$264,700m.

to a sizeable \$18,300m. At the same time, lending to developing countries which are not oil producers rose by \$2,000m after falling by \$800m in the third quarter. Against that, lending to Latin America fell by \$1,000m. The overall result was that

Nevertheless, the BIS points out that most of the decline in final lending occurred within the reporting area itself. New international credit to the reporting area was \$10,000m

£ 691/4 at the end of March, 1983, on the back of a ... favourable climate prevailing on almost all Stock Exchanges The fail both in inflation and interest rates, coupled with the first signs of economic . recovery in the U.S., were the major factors contributing to investors' optimism.

Since the beginning of this

shares on the London Stock

Exchange has risen by 20% to

year, the value of Robeco

in equities led both to higher stock quotations and price/ earnings ratios. Rises on the Amsterdam Exchange, in particular, were remarkable.

Robeco was a net seller in American and Canadian stocks. Its principal purchases were in Germany and the Far East.

The above has been taken from the quarterly report published on 31st March, 1983.

For further details write to: Robeco N.V., dept. 382, P.O. Box 973,

Holland.

(12.5%) and Dutch Internationals

currently on the U.S.A. (38.3%), Japan

3000 AZ Rotterdam.

tion in capital value.

ROBECO:

Robeco, incorporated in the

Netherlands in 1933, is an equity trust

aiming to strike a balance between the

each year with a reasonable apprecia-

Assets are widely spread over some

15 countries, with the emphasis

provision of a substantial dividend

A WIDER SPREAD OF OPPORTUNITY

- \star UK NORTH SEA
- income expected from the Buchan Field this year
- **★ UK ONSHORE** 25% share in a gas discovery in south east England.
- ★ WYTCH FARM
- 35% interest and leading partner of Dorset Bidding Group.
- * US ONSHORE — altractive prospects concentrated in Texas, Louisiand and Colorado.
- CALIFORNIA OFFSHORE active exploration programme continues.
- ★ GULF OF MEXICO OFFSHORE exploration and oroduction interests in 15 blocks.
- **★ CHINA OFFSHORE**
- ★ SUMATRA ONSHORE
- multi-well exploration programme now drilling
- * SICILY OFFSHORE
- ★ NEW ZEALAND OFFSHORE

ment trust industry is pressing for stricter stock market disclosure rules to fend off secret accumulations of trust shares by potential predators, according to industry sources.

Trusts press for

more strict rules

Britain's £12,000m invest- acting in concert, build up

stake of 30 per cent or more:

Company legislation calls for

disclosure when an investor

acquires five per cent or more.

but there is no obligation on a

bank to reveal several individ-

ual stakes of, say, 4.9 per cent in

The sharply rising level of

corporate activity among the

investment trusts, ranging from

hostile bids to defensive merg-ers and conversions into units

trusts, reflect the industry's

failure to imporve its poor stock

Everyone is knocking the

(non-specialized) trusts rights

now, though the fund managers are actually beginning to get

Mr Angus said more bids and unitization could provide a demoralizing knock-out blow,

Mr Angus added that the

Fund managers in Scotland,

where perhaps a third of the

industry is facing predatory or defensive activity, feel particu-

larly beleaguered, according to

A leading Edinburgh trust manager said his group felt

pessimistic over the future of

general closed-end trusts.

but revival is equally possible.

"In a sense we are at a crisis

commented.

market image, analysts added.

Mackenzie,

their act together.

accounts under its manage-

The fund managers, who have complained to the Bank of England and the Council for the Securities Industry say worries centre particularly on trust shares built up in discretionary accounts for clients of merchant anks and similar concerns.

Scottish trusts, under widespread bid and liquidation pressures, prompted the approach to the Bank of oressures. point," Mr Robin Angus, trust analyst with brokers Wood England by the Association of nvestment Trust Companies ast month.

The bank then passed the complaint to the CSL industry ources said.

The trusts want merchant banks to reveal publicly when arious discretionary accounts under a bank's management aggregate 15 per cent or more of Mr John Hignett, CSI

United Kingdom trusts were finally reverting to their original firector general, was meeting a committee of the aims of maximizing returns to eccepting houses, representing shareholders after a lengthy period of losing their way in the their known opposition to the late 1960s and 1970s. 15 per cent proposal. Industry sources said the CSI

should be in a position to redefine its so-called substantial ecquisitions rule within a few

Existing practice covering both investment trust and other calls for a full takeover bid if a purchaser, or several investors

Comtech to demerge its **Mnemos** subsidiary

By Michael Clark Combined Technology Corp, the non-oil interest of Tricentrol, is asking shareholders for £5.2m and pressing ahead with arrangements to demerge its

subsidiary, Minemos and make Mnemos has recently developed a sophisticated infor-

mation storage and retrieval system which has attracted attention from some of Europe's multinationals. However, the development costs of the new system have been heavy, draining the parent of its vital reserves of cash. In a complicated deal Com-

tech is raising £5.2m by way of a

one-for-five rights issue at 42p. A further 12.5 million Comtech shares will be offered to holders will have the chance to subscribe for 12.5 million shares in the new company on the basis of one-for-five at 65p. A further 3 million shares in Mnemos will be placed with institutions at 65p. Dealings in the new

company capitalized at £30m start on the USM on Monday. Comtech will maintain a 63 per cent stake in Mnemos and use the proceeds of its own fundraising to reduce borrowings and provide capital for further

Mnemos, in turn, will use its near £10m further to develop th 6000

profits of not less than £5.1m | Manhattan moved directly into

WALL STREET

New York (NYT) - On May the stock brokerage business by own units or by unitizing Wall Street's May Day, the Securities and Exchange Commission gave the go-ahead to fully-negotiated brokerage commissions and in the process, changed the face of the

investment business. Since that watershed eight ears ago, discount brokerage has developed to such an extent that even the commercial banks are now jumping onto the bandwagon. In fact, they could well come to dominate the market.

This week, Mr Roger Servi-son, of Fidelity Brokerage Services, estimated that discounters would account for 20 per cent of all retail transactions this year. Banks would be responsible for at least a quarter such retail trades, he predicted and by 1985, waved

account for perhaps 50 per cent. The lure of discount brokerage for banks is that it moves them further into financial services and can provide a new way to attract affluent cus-

At the start of last year, not a single major bank in the United -states offered discount broker-Securities Industry Association. The breakthrough come last year with the acquisition by Bankamerica Corp of Charles Schwab, the United States biggest discounter.

Subsequently, Security Pacific National Bank acquired its own discount brokerage oper-ation. Earlier this year, Chase

acquiring Rose & Co. On Monday, Ciubank began offering a new personal asset account that provides a wide

variety of services, including discount brokerage. Under present laws, banks are not permitted to advise customers on stock market investments. However, discount brokers do not offer investment advice, stressing,

substantially lower rates than full-service brokerage houses. For their part, full-service houses maintain that the personal relationship between their brokers and clients is a critical element and it remains to be seen how successful banks will become in offering discount brokerage, either through their

While banks appear optimistic over their prospects, one critic of the continuing trend is Mr A Michael Lipper, president of Lipper Analytical Services;

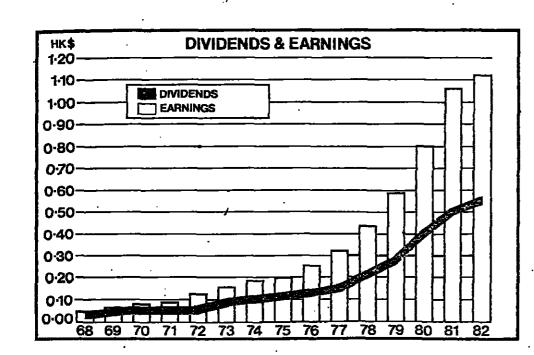
The entry of banks into the discount brokerage business is particularly disturbing for it will probably lead to weaker banks he says. The only major portion of the securities industry my. instead execution of trades at enues showing below-average growth is brokerage commissions.

As pure commission houses the banks, in the discount business, are likely to lose money over time. Ultimately, the banks, and possibly the public, will be hurt by their excursion into the brokerage

HongkongBank Group -sustained growth in 1982

Highlights from Annual Report

- Group profits of HK\$2,357 million, up 11% over 1981
- Dividend of HK\$0.55 per share (1981: HK\$0.49 adjusted)
- Bonus issue of one for ten
- Marine Midland Banks, Inc reported net income of US\$86.9 million, up 7% over 1981
- The British Bank of the Middle East reported 45% profits increase to £20.6 million



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1982 Highlights	1982 H	1981 \$ millions	1982 £ millions
Total Assets	379,186	304,293	35,932
Issued Capital	5,200	3,899	493
Total Shareholders Funds	15,606	14,147	1,479
Group Profit	2,357	2,116	223
Transfers to Reserves	440°	588	41
Total Distribution	1,144	996	108
		HK\$	р
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Earnings per share (adjust Dividend per share)	0.55	0.49	5.0

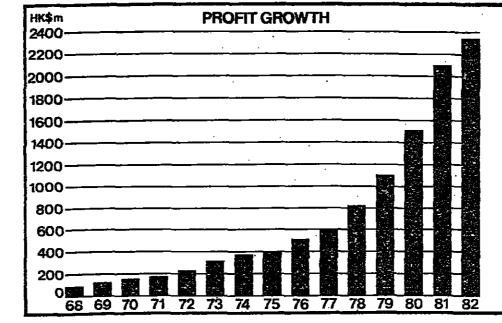


Mr M G R Sandberg, CBE, Chairman

- Hang Seng Bank Limited reported profits of HK\$713.7 million, up 20% over 1981
- Wardley Limited, our main merchant banking arm, recorded reduced profits but business remained at a high level
- Antony Gibbs Holdings Limited has returned to profitability and is making

good progress

- Finance and investment companies reported good results in a difficult year
- Carlingford Insurance group made progress in a year of consolidation





The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation

Marine Midland Bank · Hongkong Bank of Canada The British Bank of the Middle East Hang Seng Bank Limited · Wardley Limited Antony Gibbs & Sons Limited Mercantile Bank Limited

Consolidated assets at 31 Dec 1982 exceed US\$58 billion

Tilbury lifts profits by 19pc

Tilbury Group Year to 31.12.82 Pretax profit £2.5m (£2.1m). Stated earnings 14.63p (13.63p).
Turnover £44.5m (£47.3m).
Net final dividend 3.5p making 5p (4.17p).
Share price 139p up 4p, Yield 5.19.
Dividend payable 23.6.83

Tilbury Group, the civil engineering and building company, increased pretax profits by 19 per cent to £2.5m in 1982, despite a near £3m decrease in turnover to £44.5m.

The improved performance was achieved largely because Til-bury went for work which offered good profit margins during the recession. The board recommended a final dividend of 3.5p, making 5p for the year, against 4.17p in 1981.

The present order book for construction work stands at £16m and includes a £7m contract with the Greater London Council to build 150 houses, a £4m road-building contract in Kent and a £1.5m contract for bridge-building work on the Ipswich by-pass.

Mr Peter Maltman, finance director, said that he has detected some signs of a recovery in government spend-ing, particularly on road and housing improvement schemes. Tilbury has three big improvement contracts, worth about film each, in London alone.

Mr Maltman said the group

had a strong balance sheet, with more than £2m in cash to buy a northern-based construction business with a turnover of £3m

Warning on **US** budget stalemate

Washington dent Reagan has been told that a continuing Congressional stalemate over his budget proposals could mean that the Administration's fiscal revolution and permanent economic recovery will be lost.

The warning came from Mr David A. Stockman, director of the office of Management and Budget at a cabinet meeting on

Monday.

Administration officials said that Mr Stockman urged the President to redouble his efforts to reach an accommodation with Congress. But Mr Caspar Weinberger, the Defence Secretary, is understood to have given different advice to the President.
According to officials, Mr

Weinberger argued that it would be better to let the process achieve an overall budget failure and instead veto or sign individual appropriations bills as the year progresses.

No decision was taken by the

Life Chairman's Statement **Extracts for Year**

Ending December 1982 **NEW BUSINESS**

E6.2m of new life annual premiums, an increase of 25% over the total for 1981. New annual premiums for group schemes were up by 10%, for individual schemes by 7% and for self-employed arrangements by 91%,

arrangements by 91%, in group pensions business, single premiums increased by 76%, due targety to our "Buy-out" policy which is designed to provide the preserved benefits for an employee who leaves his employer's service.

VALUATION REGULATION

It is to be regretted that the well-tried British practice of control by the exercise of the actuary's professional judgement has been replace by inflexible rules about of the actuary practice. Undue inflexibility could restrict unreasonably the restrict unreasonably the scope for earning bonuses.

commission war the Company has joined with a group of like-minded offices intention

INVESTMENT

available for investment up and 1982 amounted to nearly £37m. About a third of this was invested in British government fixed interest stock and the bulk of the ordinary share investment went overseas. Our overseas investments however amount to rather less than 14% of the total.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The Covier report on the protection of investors commented on the need to establish standards of compenence for those engaged in selling life assurance. I confirm that we support the efforts which the industry is making in strengthening the code of practice and in other ways. The company's twin objectives are to ensure that our inspectors are fully trained and that our are fully trained and that our agents are capable of giving sound and informed advice to intending policyholders. Copies of the Armual Report are available from Head Office.

Regional chief at Midland

Mr Jacques de Mandat-Gran-cey has been appointed Latin American regional director at Midland Bank International in

Mr Michael Gibson has become deputy director, marof Lloyds Bowaker Finance Group. He was proviously group marketing man-

could be less.

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Few economic magnitudes

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as the public sector borrowing requirement (PSBR) - save perhaps the exchange rate, and

that, Government ministers insist, is not a policy target. The

A steady decline of public

borrowing in relation to

national output is central to the

Government's medium-term

financial strategy. Its spending

and revenue plans are explicitly

Errors in forecasting the

PSBR matter. If the Treasury

gets it wrong it could mean less

by way of tax cuts - or tax

economies in spending pro-

Nevertheless. Mrs Thatcher's

Government has proved itself

no better at predicting public

borrowing than its predecessors.

This is hardly surprising. The

PSBR is the difference between

two very large numbers for

government spending and rev-

spending is amenable to strict

control through the cash limit

system. The rest is determined

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geared to that end.

Dr R. R. Boxall has been appointed research and development director of Gallaher

Mr Peter Prior has joined the board of Holden Hydroman as

a non-executive director. better tule of thumb. In 1981-Mr Mike Sprague has been appointed director of international operations for Nairn 82, when the Government did just that, the final public borrowing total was nearly £2,000m – less than predicted a International, responsible for Australia, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Holland and few weeks before.

Mr David Claxton, managing director of Courage Take Home Trade, has joined the Courage

Mr Peter Ballard has become company secretary of Henry Ansbacher Holdings.

Mr Senmas Cowley is to become underwriter for the G.L. Towers Marine Syndicate. Mr David Jehn has joined Securiplan as director of operations and Mr C. Brian Williams becomes director of

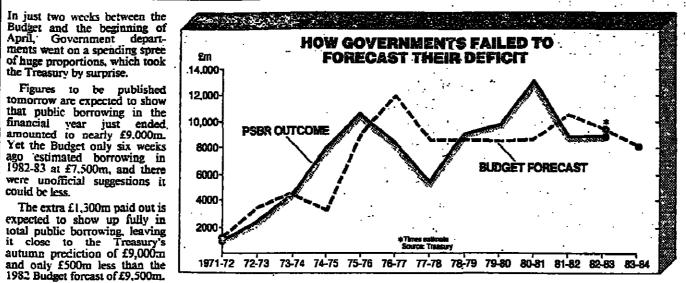
sales. Sir Robert Douglas has resigned as chairman but remains a non-executive director of Rapid Metal Developments (Aust).

Mr D. J. Lemon, managing director, is appointed chairman. New non-executive directors are Mr J. R. T. Douglas, chairman and managing director of the Douglas Group, Mr R. J. Mierisch, managing director of A. W. Baulderstone, and Mr K. J. Cadman, managing director of Rapid Metal Developments. Mr H. C. Everett, joins the board of Rapid Metal Developments. Mr S. A. Sed-gbeer joins the board of Douglas Environmental Engineering as director and general

Mr R. J. Wilson has been appointed managing director of the Dacia Car Company, Mr Maynard Hamilton sales director of Gesterner Holdings.

Mr E. Q. Bashforth and Mr T. G. Robson have been appointed directors of Hickson and Welch.

Frances Williams on Treasury's surprise at spending spree



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How public borrowing defies the art of forecasting

The chart has another interesting feature. Government forecasting errors clearly go in cycles, with two or three years of underprediction followed by two or three years of overprediction. After two years of forecasts higher than outcome has the Government been too

optimistic for 1983-84? The City consensus is that it The Budget forecast of £8,000m may be exceeded by as much as £2,000m, analysts

> Only 40 per cent. spending is amenable to strict control

suggest. The latest figures by the demand for services, appear to support their view. such as social security benefits, Government departments or is local authority spending managed, at the eleventh hour, only indirectly influenced by to spend up to their permitted cash limits, in sharp contrast to Treasury expectations of a significant underspend. What unpredictable, as the recent flurry over oil prices emphasized, with taxes on income and the money was spent on we do spending sensitive to assump- not yet know. Redecorating the offices is a traditional ploy. tions about economic growth Paying bills early another.

But this year's overall spending plans have been held down partly by inclusion of a £1,200m allowance for shortfall included, we are told, on the basis of experience with the cash limit

As Sir Dougals Wass told The Times last month a few days before he retired as head of the Treasury: "When you get a government which is very strict on its programme managers who overshoot, then you will get persistent underspending." That experience has been confounded. If, as some believe,

the March figures are becoming cleverer at managing the cash limit system there may again be no shortfall in 1983-84. This is all the more likely since inflation will be higher than the 5 per cent assumed when the spending plans were

drawn up, putting upward pressure on programme costs. In addition, the Government's critics say the contingency reserve, the smallest for years at only £1,500m (of which £400m has already been allocated), may well prove inadequate, forcing Whitehall to go over Budget to finance

needed unforeseen expenditure. Officials, not unnaturally, take a more robust view. They

argue that much of the lastminute spending may simply have been brought forward giving departments more legroom this year. A rise in the inflation rate does not necessarily signify a similar rise in government costs. And the spending splurge, by its very nature, must have gone on oneoff projects rather than to nce longer-term commitments with carryover implications for the present year.

> **Evidence points** to overshoot of borrowing forecast

At worst, they say, spending can exceed plans only by the amount allowed for shortfall, because cash limits cannot be exceeded without the Treasury's

Claiming that previous years' contingency reserves were unnecessarily high, officials say simply that if in the event there are not enough funds left in the kitty requests for extra spending will not be turned down. In an

election year, however, this could prove hard to do. Other factors may work in the Government's favour. Many analysts expect local authorities again to spend less than planned on capital projects

In addition, economic recovery is likely to help keep spending down. This is less because of reduced spending on unemployment benefits unemployment is not expected to fall significantly if at all this year, though some optimism is voiced privately by officials but because reduced financial pressure on companies means they tend to press their claims for payment from government

less urgently. Higher growth also means higher tax revenues. It is the economic cycle rather than adaptive behaviour by civil servants which is thought to lie behind the cyclical pattern of forecasting errors. Forecasts tend to be too low when the economy sinks into recession and too high when it is on its way up. On this basis, another year of undershoot is likely. But

there have been exceptions.

The burden of evidence points to an overshoot of the Treasury's 1983-84 borrowing forecast. But if it is overshoot as widely expected, the impli-cations are, if anything benign. It will give a small boost to demand, aiding recovery from recession. The financial markets, meanwhile, are unlikely to look askance at a budget deficit which remains the smallest proportion of national income of any leading industrial country, despite high and rising unemployment.

Certainly, a mini-Budget to put a gently straying PSBR back on target looks improbable.

Apart from the evident political difficulties of raising taxes or cutting spending in the run-up to an election, the Chancello has relatively few practical options available which have rapid effect.

Spending taxes can be changed quickly, but not those on incomes; public programmes can be delayed but rarely stopped in mid-year.

The problems of predicting the PSBR, and the Government's inability to target it accurately, inevitably prompt criticism that it is an unsuitable policy objective. But the Government sees no inconsistency between its desire to reduce borrowing over the longer term and year-to-year

"Just because a darts player does not always hit builseye," one senior official said "does not mean he should not aim for Cry for shipyard jobs lifebuoy

dustries are a pain in the neck for Mr Patrick Jenkin, the Industry Secretary. However much he tries to brush them under the carpet in favour of the glamorous "sunrise" sectors of high technology, they persist in creeping back into the public consciousness with embarrassing reminders that they are big employers and often needy of huge amounts of

public cash. Yesterday produced a prime example. Across the table at the Department of Industry's headquarters in London's Victoria Street sat Sir Robert Atkinson, outgoing chairman of British Shipbuilders, who made no excuses for demand-ing that his stricken industry be designated a special case.

Mr Jenkin and Mr Norman Lamont, his shipbuilding minister, have little choice but to accede if they want to avoid another round of redundancies in the yards that could reach 9,000 on top of the 3,000 already announced this year. In an election year can Mr Jenkin really afford to see more communities, admittedly not in Tory strongholds, devastated and the country subjected to another bout of depressing news of big indus-trial closures? For that, in

He has asked for a package of emergency measures to tide over his industry until new orders begin to flow again. There proposals are temporary and designed to meet the present crisis which is hitting shipbuilding throughout the

The Government has already pumped more than £600m into shipbuilding since it came into office and recently increased the corporation's external financing limit from £122m this year to £160m for 1983-84. The Shipbuilding Intervention Fund, introduced at the time of nationalization in 1977 to bridge the gap between British and Far East prices, now totals £355m.

But with British shipyards running out of orders (apart from the profitable warship yards), at an alarming rate, the money clearly is not being well spent. Sir Robert, due to be replaced in September by

Day, has £40m of Intervention. Fund money to play with this year, but so far has managed. to use only £13m.

The problem is that yards in countries like South Korea are satisfying their masters' hung-er for foreign exchange by quoting prices on new ships, that are unbeatable, even in-Japan, and subsidies such as those provided by Britain's intervention Fund are at best

inadequate. Dumping by Far Eastern, shipperds becomes even more inevitable at a time of world; shipbuilding orders fell by almost 50 per cent, says the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development

The answer for Britain surely is not to pour money, allocated to the Intervention Fand down the slipways of some far-flung developing country's shipyards but into measures that will ensure work at competitive, but realistic, rates for British yards.

Government should take a leaf out of the Japanese book and give "special pro-motion" to what, in that country, are called special selfdefence force vessels, patrol hoars and fisheries training.

This is the sort of emergency measure for which Sir Robert is trying to gain approval from Mr Jenkin. Without a positive decision by the Government to grant special credit arrangemen nestic ship owners and to fund other actions such as the mothballing of yards until better times arrive and the payment of more attractive redundancy money, Sir Robert - and later, Mr Day - will lieve difficulty in persuading shipbuilding workforce to accept a pay freeze and exhortations to improve productivity.

At the Govan yard on the Clyde, where there are new orders, the mood of shipbuildentry was summed up last week by a shop steward who dismissed as futile any move to begin a strike against forther cuts. The battle, he warned, was against the Government. **Edward Townsend**

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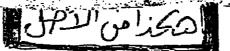
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The big wheeler-dealers or Wall Street appear to have put paid to any hopes of the FT Index topping the 700 level for the time being at least. Yesterday our own market men looked on helplessly as

Britain's blue chip stock were given the skelter treatment by American investors. Having coaxed the likes of ICI and Glaxo to scal new heights they suddenly pulled the rug from under them, for no apparent reason, and washed their hands of the subsequent bloodbath.

They buy at any price, and they sell at any price was how one disgruntled dealer summed

it up.
Whatever the reason for their actions it was enough to send the equity market into ragged retreat with Glaxo closing 18p lower at 935p, having hit £10 at one stage, while Beecham finished 7p lower at 405p, after 415p. Only 16T managed to 415p. Only ICI managed to retain some of its early gains closing 10p higher at 444p, after 450p. ahead of first quarter figures next week. These are expected to show profits up from £62m to more than £90m after an improvement in pharmaceuticals and reduced losses at its petro-chemical division.

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With shares of London Brick hovering just short of the year's high the institutions appear to have decided to take profits. Yesterday several large lines of stock went through the market in excess of half a million shares. The price closed 51/p lower at 152.

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thwest had made an offer by tender for the oil exploration group with interests in the construction equipment sales

Mr Fish has also given the group a voting trust on his remaining 2 million shares for 18 months.

At last night's close, Marinex selling with falls of up to Ω_k at the longer end of the market prompted by the loss of 1 cent for the pound on the foreign cinema films, have received an prompted by the loss of 1 cent developers and printers of the day 20 higher at 62p. dozen companies quoted on the foreign cinema films, have received an exchange 10 end the day at approach from Technicolor, the linternational rose 39p to 400p open at between 135p and 150

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In the event, the FT Index ended at its low point for the day down 9.8 at 685.2, wiping out an earlier gain of 1.6.

Last night, dealers were becoming increasingly seeptical that the index would achieve its goal this week with only three days of the current account left to run.

\$1.5520. The Government US himgroup and are now involved in talks to decide on a price. Last night, Humphries of the less than half of the closed 17p dearer at 50p valuing it at just under £4 milhon, BET with 75.37 per cent of the shares, and presently bidding for the minority shares in the news that Canada Northwest had made an offer by

Shares of Blackwood Hodge, the Humbly Grove consortium in Hampshire. CN had already bought 4 million shares from Mr Andrew Fish, director of Marinex, amounting to 14.8 per cent of the equity at an undisclosed sum.

Mr Sink has also given the expects to publish on Friday.

> Bellair Cosmetics continued to fluctuate wildly as investors awaited news of the talks which may lead to a bid. After dipping as low as 50p the shares ended

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Bumper dividend from the Bank of Scotland

Bank of Scotland Year to 28.2.83 retax profit 246.4m (247.4m) Stated earnings 117.90 (123.9p) Net final dividend 13.5p, making Share price 484p, up 25p Yelid Dividend payable 6.6.83

Compared with the London clearing banks, Bank of Scot-land has turned in a very solid performance in the year to the end of February. While three of the big four reported sizable falls in profits for 1982, Bank of Scotland has come through: 1982-83 with profits only £1m lower at £46.4m, helped by a particularly resiliant perform-ance in the second half.

Where it has emulated the London clearers is in the size of the dividend rise. After increasing the interim by only 5 per cent, Bank of Scotland has bumped up the final by 23 per cent to leave the year's payout a full 14 per cent up at 24p net-The laggard within the group has been the North West Securities Finance House, where pretax profits were down

The merchant bank, British

Linea Bank, boosted profits by £800,000 to £4.8m and the Bank of Scotland itself was fractionally ahead at £32.3m

Group bad debt provisions were accertheless up from £15.4m to £27.1m but with costs under reasonable control staff costs were 10.4 per cent up and healthy volumes reflected in a 31 per cent gain in sterling lending, the bank has managed to turn in unchanged profits with the help of £1.5m of gilts

This year profits could approach £55m and the shares offer a generous yield compared

Hambro Life

Hambro Life Assurance Year to 31.12.82 Actuarial surplus 219.5m (216.76m)
Transferred p/l 215.9m (215.1m)
Net final dividend 9.375p mkg ...
13.4p (11.52p) 13.4p (11.52p) Share price 374p up 2p Yield 5.3% Dividend payable 23.5.83

Hambro Life shares have been making up lost ground in recent weeks; having been the worst performer in the sector.

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on, and the present team has stepped up its permormance. Hambros says there is now a strong underlying growth trend

The deals done in the year.

the tie-up with Guardian Royal

But the market has now business growth of just 6 per regained confidence that the group is palling in new business new salesmen are being taken the market has now group is palling in new business at a satisfactory rate. The new adaptable life plan, which was introduced to replace the whole life plan in January, has been strong a well received, and the unit trust in sales sales are new well shead of the

corresponding period of last taking over Dunbar Group and Earlier in the year the new Exchange Assurance, should

Savoy Hotel

The Savoy Hotel Year to 31,12,1982 Pretax profit £1.8m (£604,000 loss) Turnover £37m (£33.9m) Share price £66p Yield £75 per

Results of the Savoy Hotel group exceeded market expec-tations to the extent that the share price rose 2p to 266p: the outcome was a pretax profit of £1.8m against a general expectation of £1.7m or thereabouts.

The improved figure puts the Savoy on a dividend yield of 0.75 per cent and a fully-taxed price earnings ratio of 90. The £1.8m presents a con-

add to the unit trust sales. Hambros is also working on new services, including entering the expatriate market.

The shadow over share price, the placing of a large chunk of the stake held by Hambros merchant bank, is now out of the way. So given the growth in business and the market confidence in management, Hambro to 15 per cent.

siderable turnround from last year's pre-tax loss of £606,000. But the Savoy is not an investment stock: it is a takeover prospect.

The potential predators, Trust House Forte, can point out that £1m of the turnround is due to lower interest charges as a result of asset sales. The potential defenders-Sir Hugh Wontner and the others who control the company through its highly differential voting structure-can point to a £1.4m improvement in trading

This is a gamble, not an investment. The market is quite clear in its assessment it believes the Forte camp will

Life should no longer underper-· form. Apart from ratonalizing its product range and sales force, the group has also been working

on cutting back on administration costs and staff expens-A further improvment earnings per share should be possible this year, of around 10 Combined English Stores Group

Combined English Stores Group Year to 29.1.83 Pretax profit £1.75m (£2.68) Stated earnings 1.64p (3.62p)
Turnover £102.7m (£96.7m)
Net final dividend 0.33p (1.66p)

Share price 31p Yield 8.3% Combined English Stores Group announced slightly better profits than expected for last year. But there is a savage cut in the dividend that has come rather late in the day, just as the group is talking of recovering from recession. That

seems to indicate too high a level of payout in the past. The source of the profits drop is the Fenton Menswear shops, which lost £1.79m at the trading level. Since the year end, there has been a turnround because of reorganization in this section. The Fenton menswear shops have been given a new, more casual image. But to clear merchandise, a lot was sold at reduced margins. The recovery

coming through after the reorganization can ber seen by the slower rate of loss, as the half-

year figure was £1.6m.
Losses resulting from the reorganization have been taken

above the line. Combined English Stores says that the recession is still making trading difficult, but it is seeing some improvement in economic conditions. It is sure there will be a good improve-

ment this year. There were profits of £1.34m last year from property dis-

posals. There are hopes that pretax this year could touch £4m, in which case there could be some improvement, although not restoration, in the dividend. But the market is still cautious about the Fenton reorganiza-

Honda Motor's 5 per cent dividend rise, at 10.5 yen, and jump in profits of nearly a third reflect mainly the strength of its power product sales. But the 1.7 per cent rise in motor cycle sales, to 3.75m, and a 7.7 per cent rise in the number of cars sold, at 1.12m, are an impressive per-

Hepworth presses bid

Ceramic Holdings has sent out Over the same period, Hepits formal offer for Steetley, worth's earnings per ordinary Hepworth's chairman, Mr Peter share have decreased by 3.1 per Goodall, puts forward some cent, Steetley's by 71.6 per cent. strong arguements why Steetley

Over the heads of the by 10.4 per cent while Steetley's possing board, Hepworth have fallen by 48.7 per cent.

Based on the dividends of the shareholders should accept the two groups proposed for 1982; bid.

He points out that, over the vide accepting shareholders last three financial years, Hep- with a significant increase in worth's pretax profits have risen income, he adds.

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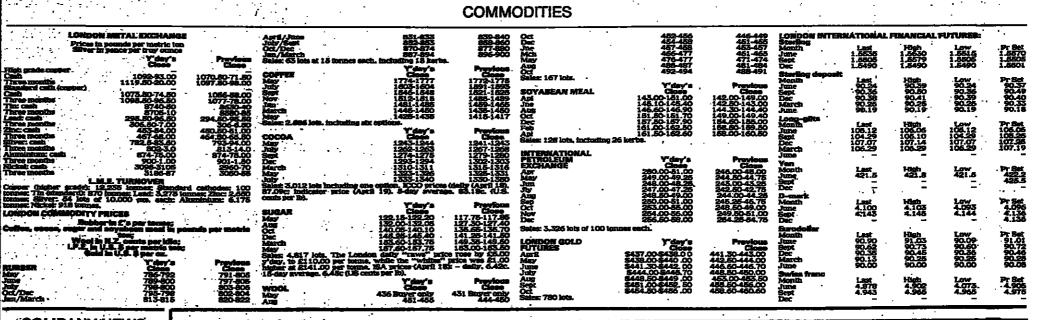
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20th April, 1983



COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

Harrison Couley (Holdings) Year to 31,12,82 Tean 10 37-12-22. Pretax profit; £558,000 (£520,000). Stated earnings, 5.1p (4.9p). Turnover, £17.84m (£18.01m), Net dividend, 4.2p (3.85p).

John Crowther Group Year to 31.12.82. Pretax profit, 246,000 (2270,000 loss).

Stated earnings, 1.1p (loss 7.9p). Turnover, 25.61m (23.66m). Net dividend, nil (nil). Websters Group Year to 31.12.82 retax profit, £1.46m (£1.32m).

Turnover, 240.3m (237.43m). let **dividend, 2.7p (2.5p).**

Cussins Property Group Year to 31.12.82. Pretax profit, £1.3m (£1.25m). Stated earnings, 14.64p (15.61p). Turnover, £6.85m (£6.28m). vet dividend, 5.1p (2.9p).

Tilbury Group Year to 31.12.82. Pretax profit, £2.5m (£2.17m). Stated earnings, 14.63p (13.63p). Turnover, £44.51m (£47.32m). Net dividend, 5.0p (4.17p).

Year to 31:12.82. Pretax profit, £452,000 (£1.42m). Stated earnings (loss) 0.3p (profit Turnover, £46.5m (£44.44m). Net dividend, 1.25p (1.25p).

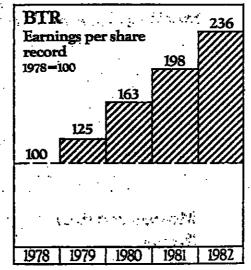
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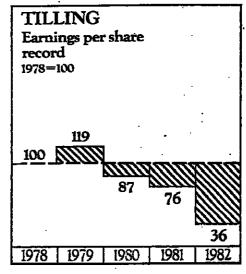
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Preliminary statement for the year ended 31 March, 1983 (Unaudited)

- The net asset value per ordinary share rose from 71.7p, to 109.3p during the year to 31 March, 1983, adjusted for the one for ten scrip issue in November, 1982. This is an increase of 52% and compares with a rise of 26% in the F.T. Actuaries All Share Index.
- The ordinary share price adjusted for the scrip issue rose 42% in the year to 31 March, 1983.
- The Directors have declared a second interim dividend, in lieu of a final, of 1.30p payable 17 June, 1983 to shareholders on the register on 19 May, 1983. This makes a total dividend for the year of 2.18p (1982-1.98p), an increase of 10%. The Directors do not recommend any further dividend for the year.

The geographical analysis of the equity portfolio at 31 March, 1983 North America 51% United Kingdom 38% Far East 7% Europe 2% Other Areas 2%

The audited accounts will be published and sent to shareholders in the first week of June.
Additional copies will be evaluable from Mr. Colin Peters, Company Secretary. The Edinburgh Investment Trust plc, Freepost, Edinburgh EH2 OBU. Tel: 031-225-4571.

inspire me.

Having moved so quickly in the

Hansen, almost eight years ago.

The progress made by women

marathon runners in recent years has been as impressive as any of their achievements in sport. Ten years ago, the world best held by Miss Hansen, was 3hr 45min 59sec. Miss Waitz ran the first sub-2-30 marathon (2hr 27min 33sec) in the 1979 New York race.

Since 1978, Miss Benoit has been America's best women's marathon

America's best women's marathou runner. Last year she was ranked No

2 in the world on the strength of her 2hr 26min 11sec in Egene, Oregan.

which stood as the American record until Monday. She has held, or still hoolds, American marks for 10,000 meters, 10 miles and the half-mara-

In winning the event, the 27-year

Robson backs experience and loyalty to upset Hungarians once again

Wednesday could be as influential wictory over Arsenal in the FA Cup against the same opponents in the same arena 17 months ago. Not suprisingly, therefore, Bobby Robson, the England manager, yesterday close to follow the footsteps of his predecessor, Ron Greenwood.

The two solid qualities of experience and loyalty helped Greenwood to lead England to Spain last summer and Robson, looking towards the European finals in France next summer, has put his face in those same two attributes.

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face in those same two attributes. squad absent three names will be common to both of their teams.

match."

"Wilkins has shown immense character in winning back his place in the Manchester United side," Robson added. "He has done very well in recent games and being a bit more positive in his play, hitting balls forward with penetration and is still young enough to play a major part on England's future."

wilkins, with 54 caps, is the most

The outcome of England's match experienced outfield representative familiary in the Enropean in the squad. He impressed 200 minutes, Woodcock's promise wednesday could be as influential victory over Arsenal in the FA Cup victory over Arsenal in the FA Cup was eventually substituted by the World Cup qualification in the squad tie on Saturday Blissett, Watford's rumbustious if

squad against Greece are the three squad against Greece are the three structures assentess.

Bryan Robson, expected to be retailed as captain after being absent for two internationals, Shilton and Meal all played against Hungary in November, 1981. So, too, did Martin but the is suffering from a twisted knee, missed his first game of the season last Saturday, and is considered doubtful.

"Having seen Hungary" Robson said, "I've confirmed in my mind that this is a game in which we must look to experience and that is why I have not called on a few of the players people have speculated might be in. It would also be unfair to dismiss players too quickly who were not at their best in our last match."

"Wilkins has shown immense."

The Knee injury of Bennett, West Bromwich Albion's young central defender, has given another opportunity to Osman, whose international prospects were damaged by the fleet footed Danes. If Martin falls to recover in time, Osman will rene his partnership both with Butcher, his Ipswich Town colleague, and his firmer club manager. In the absence of the injured Coppell, Lee is as likely to keep place on the right side of midfield as are Sanson at left back and Francis, the lone threat in the disappointing draw against Greece are the three

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centre-forward who admits he cannot head a ball well. He smokes,

transfer race involving at least six first division clubs last spring, more

than a year before his contract with

second division Hanover 96 had

run out. Hamburg's offer of 1.2 million marks (about £321,715)

proved the winning bid. He had one more year of his contract with

Hanover still to run, but financial

problems persuaded the club to loan him to Fortuna Cologne half way

drinks and confesses to a deep distaste for training, but this most unlikely of sportsmen could become West Germany's next football idol. Schatzschneider has scored more than 30 goals this season and he weekend - a result which kept Hamburg at the top of the Bundesliga - with a thigh strain and is considered doubtful. could become the deadliest mar-kman the country has produced since Gerd Mueller. Though he's 25 this month, Schatzschneider has yet to play at first division level, an omission to be corrected next season when he replaces Horst Hrubesch, the international striker, as leader of the line for Hamburg, His scoring talents set off a

Hamburg were unlucky to finish on the losing side in the 1980 final when a flash of inspiration by the Nottingham Forest winger, Robertson, was enough to keep the trophy in England. The West German League leaders are weary of living in the shadow of Bayern Munich, who won the trophy three times in the mid-seventies, and will not allow the spanish champions, Real of being served Sociedad, to stand in their way, vintage wine : having achieved a 1-1 draw in the expect the best.

Smee to outbid Maxwell

Two famous clubs

Ten years have elapsed since Juventus made their only appearance in the final when they were outplayed by Ajax. They travel to Widzew Lodz in Poland with a 2-0 lead and are favourably placed for a

clubs will face disappointment again if they meet in the final in Athens on May 25.

Hamburg did win the Cup-Winners' Cup in 1977 but that is not the same as being kings of Europe and the band of survivors from 1980 – which includes Kaltz, Henberch Magath and Hieronymus - will be eager for a second chance. Juergen Milewski, who also the hard part of the played against Forest in Madrid, 2-2 in the first leg.

player, claims he now has enough

money to outbid Robert Maxwell for control of the third division

club. Smee, a successful business

man in the area said: "Support, both moral and financial has been

flooding in since the shock of

"It is my intention to offer Frank Waller, the Reading chairman, more money to keep Reading football club alive than Robert Maxwell has offered to kill it. Reading is

offered to Rill R. Reacing is financially stable and with a new board and new policies I am confident of halting the fall in attendances which has resulted from

Maxwell's plan to merge with

TODAY'S FIXTURES

Saturday's merger announcement.

with a single aim A quick look at the European Cup may have to watch from the roll of honour reveals the absence of sidelines. He missed the 1-1 draw at two outstanding clubs - Hamburg Borussia Mönchengladbach at the

and Juventus. Both can take a step towards putting the record straight today in the second leg of the semi-final round, but one of these famous But the Danish international Bastrup is a replacement of the highest quality as he showed in the quarter-final round when he scored three goals against Dynamo Kiev in the Soviet Union. Confidence is high and their midfield player, Hartwig, issued a warning to the Spaniards when he said: "We're going to do it, we'll be in the final".

Juventus had some success when they won the UEFA Cup in 1977 but for them that was the equivalent of being served stale beer instead of vintage wine and Italians always

> Dino Zoff (soalkeeper), Bettega (a striker) and Furino (midfield) are the only survivors from 1973 but the elegant Bettega was carried off during Italy's 1-0 European Championship defeat in Romania on Saturday and is unlikely to play. Real Madrid, champions of Europe six times and runners-up on dium and are unlikely to falter having completed the hard part of the task by drawing

No aid for struggling

The council leader, Bernard Coyle, said last night. "It is extremely unlikely that there will be any change of heart. We have already to move into the North American gone into the matter very fully."

Wigan now have 27 days before a international goalkeeper, recently crucial meeting of creditors and the joined Seattle Sounders after 17 crucial meeting of creditors and the joined Seattle Sound club's chairman Freddie Pye said: years at Maine Road.

Roger Smee, the former Reading layer, claims he now has enough noney to outbid Robert Maxwell or control of the third division thus. Smee, a successful business threatened to call for an official threatened threatened to call for an official threatened threatene inquiry into recent share dealings at Reading's players, angry at hearing the news through radio and television reports, have asked the Professional Footballers Associ-ation whether the contracts they the deeds to Springfield Park would have been given to the local authority. "everything was arranged and we believe it was jour a matter of picking up the cheque," said Mr placking up the cheque," said Mr placking up the cheque," said Mr placking up the cheque, "said Mr placking up the cheque," said Mr placking up the cheque, "said Mr placking the new manpower service scheme, which they would have been sitting on 11 acres of prime building land."

The club has received individual ation whether the contracts they signed with Reading can legally be transferred to "a completely new employer in a different area" without consent.

Three of Reading's six-man board of directors, have already said they have not formerly amonyed the The club has received individual

Reading supporters club yesterday put their support behind Mr Smee's efforts to frustrate Mr Maxwell's plan to make the proposals. Oxford United's directors will have to wait a little longer to hear details of the make the proposals. offers of help from supporters but Mr Pye said: "we are grateful and won't turn our noses up at any offers, but time is not on our side."

Germans find a 'new Mueller'

has disappointed no-one except his opponents this season, with 26 league goals for his two clubs. His cup goals took unfancied Fortuna to a date with first division neighbours Cologne in June's West German Cup Final.

Cup Final.
Fortuna brushed aside two first
division clubs - Eintracht Brunswick and Borussia Mönchengladbach - before a 5-0 semi-final win against a third, Borussia Dortmund. Schatzschneider scored five goals against the teams from the upper flight, a feat which shows he should have no problem in replacing Hrubesch when he joins Hamburg. Though Hrubesch relies primarily on his physique and his formidable heading ability, Schatzschneider has something of Mueller's uncanny feel for scoring positions, unusually quick reflexs for a tall player and a respins and scenario shot.

rasping and accurate shot. Critics say he does nothing on the field except score goals - an accusation often levelled against Mueller - but that has not stopped the press calling for Jupp Derwall, the national team manager to select him for the full West German team.

played for the West German Olympic team, virtually the national "B" side, since rule changes on anateur status. He scored both goals in a 2-2 friendly with Eintracht Frankfurt.

The self-confident Schatzschneider has two ambitions: to play for the full national side (a goal nearer fulfilment once he is established in the first division) and to become a Hamburg idol in the mould of Uwe Seeler. However, his dislike of training

may involve him in poblems when he joins the highly professional Hamburg squad. He prefers to stick to shooting practice while other players go off on cross-country runs. He explained: "Some players are fantastic in practice but useless in a match. I'm a complete opposite.

Hamburg will also find him unprepared to cut down his smoking and drinking, or change some of his eccentricities - such as eating ham and becon and drinking ice-cold cola before a match. They help make him the goalscorer he is, he insists.

Cross on the move again as Vancouver sign him

David Cross, Manchester City's leading goalscorer, yesterday signed for Vancouver Whitecaps, the troubled third division club, are incined City from West Ham United unlikely to get help from the local last summer for £135,000, a fee council in reviving a scheme to guarantee a £200,000 cash injection. City will get just over half that figure

David Cross, Manchester City's will be played on Saturday, and not Sunday.

Sunday.

Phil Parkes, the former Wolver-hampton Wanderers goalkeeper has left Worcester City of the Alliance Premier League to join Oklahoma City will get just over half that figure

City will get just over half that figure

Worcester hope that Parkes will

from Vancouver.
The 32-year-old forward is the

club's chairman Freddie Pye said:
"It would not have cost the council, or the ratepayers a penny."

The deal involved raising a 10 and has also played for Norwich year mortgage through the council City, Coventry City, and West with London bankers. As security Bromwich Albion, scored 13 goals in 38 League and cup games for

include Jeffrey Adams, the Northern Ireland youth goalkeeper.

The Football League confirmed yesterday that the second division match between Middlesborough and Wolverhampton Wanderers

Worcester hope that Parkes will rejoin them in August when the

American season ends.

Cross: the traveller.

A D. Everton 2 Manchester United Sunderland 1 Brighton & Hove A 1. SECOND DRYSSON: Fulfism 1 Barneley Sheffield Wed 0 OP Rangers 1. THRID DRYSSON: Plymouth 0 Wigen 2 FOURTH DRYSSON: Northempton 1 Rochd 1; Swindon T 3 Blackpool 2; Wilmbledon Crewe Alex 2; York City 1 Hull City 0. **IN BRIEF** Billiards champion puts

sponsored by Embassy at Sheffield vesterday. Griffiths, the 1979 world champion, trailed 4-5 overnight against Mark Wildman, the United Kingdom billiards champion and was outplayed in a scrappy first frame yesterday to slip even further behind again. But he made breaks of 42 and 77 to win the next 119-1 and will lack to 6-5 and went on to take

TABLE TENNIS: Skylet Andrew, the England international, has been awarded one of the two "wild card" entries for the Norwich Union Masters tournament in Kingston, Jamaica, from May 24-29. Andrew, a 21-year-old Londoner of West Indian descent, has been improving steadily this season and his selection will be some compensation for narrowly missing out on England's world championship team.

GOLF: Jenny Lee Smith, Britain's leading woman golf professional, will be fit to defend her title in the £20,000 Ford Classic tournament which opens the WPGA season at Woburn on May 4. She damaged an achilles tendon over four months ago and missed her usual winter season on the American circuit.

Belfast, who is supposed to defend his British bantamweight title against the former holder. John Feeney, in Middlesbrough on May 23, has told the promoter, John Spenceley that he will not be able to fight because of influenza. The Larmour to be examined by their doctor. They will wait for a medical

the champion to recover.

SPORTS POLITICS: (AFP) China will compete in tournaments in the United States if they are organized by international sporting bodies, despite the recent suspension of sporting links between the two countries. After the Americans granted political asylum to the Chinese tennis player Hu Na, the Chinese Government decided to break off all sporting links with the United States, but yesterday a facility of the control foreign ministry official, Qi Huaiyuan, indicated that a team of 10 divers would take part in the

RUGBY UNION: Jacko Page, the former England scrum half, returns from a seven-match injury lay-off for Northampton's crucial Midland

ATHLETICS

A marathon record that seems likely to run and run

Boston (Agencies) – The new women's world best time of 2hr the race. "Allison called me at my 2mm 42sec set in Monday's hotel to tell me that Grete Waitz had got the world record in London," she said. "I told her that that was fine, but that it also would Boston Marathon by an American, Joan Benoit, is a time that will stand for years, according to a leading marathon authority, Fred Lebow. The organizer of the New York carly stages of the race that some concerned male runners shouted, "lady, you better watch it". Miss Benont finished 121st among the marathon was among the many experts to acclaim the performance of 25-year-old Miss Beniot in improving the previous mark shared by Allison Roc (New 6,600 starters. She is the first American to hold the women's world best time since Jacqueline Zealand) and Grete Waitz (Norway).

United

get a

Sharp

reminder

By Leslie Duxbury

Liverpool are virtually certain of

becoming League champions by kind permission of their neighbours, Everton, who defeated an out-of-sorts Manchester United, though

they made heavy weather of it

possible rivals but even if they won all their remaining matches they can hardly catch the Merseysiders on

certain of victory for Everton by scoring a second goal after Wealands had parried Johnson's

March.

And a linesman's failure to signal what seemed to be a palpable offside by Moses almost gave them the opportunity to burst into it as Moses hit the post from close range.

Everton's lack of muscle was perfectly illustrated when Sharme

everion's lack of muscle was perfectly illustrated when Sharpe moved down the left and centred to a line of four colleagues advancing abreast of him but one of them Heath was brushed almost contemptuously off the ball. In contrast

temptalously off the ball. In contrast
United were smetimes rather too
physical, Moses having a long
lecture from the referee and
McQueen, too, was taken aside and
warned after a tackle.

There was probably an element of
frustration in the incidents for
Manchester found again seet of

cohesion virtually impossible, though Whiteside nearly made up for it with a fierce shot which

Arnold turned around the post. At the interval things were pretty much as they had been at the start, Everton getting nowhere and United looking largely jaded and proceeding.

The match also steadfastly refused to deliver any real excitement after the break and we were

reduced to watching the refere

reduced to watching the referee book Moses and Durbury for our amusement, if you could call it that. Sheedy tried to dispel the gathering gloom with a long shot which had effectively expired by the time it reached the arms of Wealands and there was a blissful moment when Johnson appeared on the point of achievement but the

the point of achievement but the

United continued to labour as if

ball passed over his reaching head.

the game had suddenly become far

too difficult for them though to be fair Stapleton did manage to produce his first shot of the night.

Mercifully in the 63rd minute

Everton scored in probably the only

way they were ever going to do so. A shot from Sharp hit the unfortunate McGrath and trickled shamefacedly

Over the Manichester goal line.
EVERTON: J Arnold: G Stevens, J Balley, K
Rascille, M Hoggins, K Richardson, S
McMahon, D Johnson, G Sharp, A Heeth, K
Sheedy, Sutz A Airstow.
MANCHESTER UNITED: J Wealands; M
Dubbury, A Abiston, R Moses, P McGraff, G
McGueen, B Robson, R Wildens, F Staplerion, N
Withhealth, A Grames, Subt. L Cunrichtern. N

Arie Haan signs for Eindhoven

Eindhoven, Netherlands (Reuter)

Arie Haan, the former Dutch international, will return to the Netherlands with PSV Eindhoven after eight years as a Belgium League player. Haan, a midfield player who began his career with Ajax, played in the 1974 and 1978 World Cup Finals, has signed a one-year contract which takes him to

year contract which takes him to Eindhoven from Standard Liege in

Last night's

results

EUROPEAN CLIP WINNERS' CUP, Second leg: Waterschei 1 Aberdeen Q. FRST DIVISION: Aston Ville 1 West Bromwich A. Q. Everlon, Z. Manchester, United Q;

over the Manchester goal line.

hester were Liverpool's only

Manchester United.

Everton.

by 2min 47sec.
Mrs Waitz had equalled Miss
Roe's time only 24 hours eatier, in the London Marathon. In Boston, Miss Benoit's victory overshadowed that of the overall winner, Greg Meyer, in his exactly 2hr 9min. It was his first marathon success.

"I felt fatigued from the first mile but I knew there was a good chance I would get the record," said Miss Benoit, who led from start to finish. shot.

Everion were plainly eager to support the belief of their manager Howard Kendall that they had been She was pressed over the first 15 miles by Miss Roe, who was forced extremely unfortunate to lose to United in the FA Cup. Their early out by leg cramp after 16 miles. That enabled Jacqueline Gareau, of play was a pleasant amalgam of running, and a sure touch. They even aspired to a spot of jugging, kneping the ball in the air with their heads on the edge of the Manchester box as if it had been caught in a That enabled Jacqueline Gareau, of Canada, to finish in second place in 2hr 29min 28sec, with Mary Shea (US) third in 2hr 33min 22sec.

Miss Benoit, a running coach from Boston University, had a winning margin of nearly seven minutes for her second victory in an event she won in 1979.

Miss Benoit said after setting her new world mark, that a telephone call from Miss Roe on Sunday

But Everton are not the best of finishers, lacking weight and confidence in the final thrust and as success eluded them their momen-tum declined allowing a strangely tentative United to creep into the

call from Miss Roe on Sunday

old Meyer's time was the third fastest ever in the race and only 47

seconds off Alberto Salazar's world record time of 2hr 8min 13sec in



Upstaged by the leading lady: Meyer (right) wins in Boston
Miss Benoît is the star.

Stars on horizon

The significance of people's marathons, and the attraction of Olympic gold medalwinners and world record-holders in a family sport, was slow in percolating through to the hard-nosed world of commerce. However, the sponsorinto athletics in the last six months has been as unremitting as the procession of London marathon finishers over Westminster Bridge.

David Morreroft, the world 5,000

London yesterday to announce the launch of the Peugeot Talbot to work.

Athletics Foundation, which is going to be worth up to £75,000 to 15 of Britain's emergent "stars" in the next three years. The first 11 have already been named. They include Phil Brown and Todd Bennett, two of the best 400 metres

prospects in the world. Peter Elliott. the European indoor 800 metres silver medalwinner, and John Herbert, whom the European and Commonwealth gold medalwinner Keith Connor considers his poten-tial to be an outstanding triple The sponsorship for the Young

Athletes League, which was an-nounced on Monday, will help those starting in the sport, but yesterday's news will be welcome to young prospects who often find it difficult

HOCKEY

Cutter a surprise choice

David Cutter, a 21-year-old Durham University student, is the most surprising inclusion in the Weish squad to play two internationals against the Netherlands at Swansea this weekend. Cutter was called up for his first Welsh training period last weekend and afterwards was immediately durited into the period last weekend and alterwards
was immediately drafted into the
squad for the Dutch match.
The son of the former Wales and
Great Britain international Geoff

Cutter, he has played for both Also included in the squad is a local Swansea schoolteacher Gary

RUGBY UNION

Hardie to drop

action

against Brown

who recently published his autobi-

November 1976 during the North and Midland v Glasgow inter-dis-trict match at Murrayfield when he was sent off with the North and Midlands hooker Allan Hardie.

Midlands hooker Allan Hardie. Subsequently he was banned for 12 weeks and Hardie for a record period of 16 months. In his book Brown accused Hardie of dirty play and of making uncalled for remarks to him at the time. The North player who recently retired from the game as a player to become a district selector, threatened leavagaction

SQUAD: C. Asheroft (Neston), S. Rees (C Kingstoniares), G. Cope (Swarmes), D. Poters (Neston), B. Williams (Capt), A. Gowman, N. Moharmet, S. Sparies (Al Cardiff), M. Lowis, S. Cronin (Both Whitchurch), N. Thomas (Coversity), D. Cutter (Durham University), M. Brough (Otton), I. Cowx (Tutes HEI), and M. Evans (Worcester). Other hockey, page 25

MATIONAL LEAGUE Play-ofts (best of seven series): New York Rangers 3, New York Islanders 1 (best of seven 2-2). Boston Eruhs 8, Buffalo Setnes 2 (teams level 2-2). Chicago Stack Hawks 4 Minnesota North Stars 3 (Chicago lead 3-1). Caligary Plarms 6 Edinonton Oliers 5 (Edmonton Islad 3-1) NATIONAL LEAD

TABLE TENNIS

European Cup Semi-finals, second leg Hamburg v Real Sociedad (7.0) Widzew Lodz v Juventus (7-0)

European Cup Winner's Cup Semi-final, second leg Real Medrid y Austrian Vienna (8-0) UEFA Cup Semi-finals, second leg Anderlecht v Bohemians Prague (7.0) Universitatea Craiva v Benfica First Division Norwich City v Arsenal

Second division Newcestle v Rotherham Football League Trophy Lincoln City v Millwali

Scottish premier division Postponed: Dundee v Rangers; Kilmarnich v St Mirren İRIĞIN LEAGUE: Glentoran v Glensvon (7.0). AT LIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE: Boston Units

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SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Southern division:
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Hourstown Houselow Andrew City. TESTIBIONIAL MATCH (for Karmy Http: Maldatone v Manchester City.

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RUGBY UNION HERTS BEEFS Indicated the Conference of Conf

Second division: Cardif City v Trinity: Keighley v Salford, OTHER SPORT THENS: Bournemouth tandount trumments (ment) Worthing tournement (women). Section Worth protectional championship (Crucible Theatre Shaffold).

Logie century stretches West Indian lead

vice, but logic, who had started its innings nervously, kept calm. Lloyd, the captain, stayed with Logic for just under an hour, during which they added 40 runs to the 93



Lloyd: encouragement.

they had put on before the rest day.

The pair had to fight for runs against steady bowling by Madan Lal and veteran off-spinner Venka-

Logie, 72 overnight, progressed slowly through the 90's and reached his century in 238 minutes with his eleventh four to be 129 not out at

Bridgetown, Barbados (Reuter) –
Angustine Logie scored his maiden
Test century on his fourth
appearance yesterday as the West
Indies reached 453 for five by lunch
on the fourth day of the fourth Test
against India here. They lead by 244

At the other end Shastri, the leftreached his 30, having him caught at short leg. Venkataraghavan lost control after this and twice in three balls Logie picked him up and hoisted him over mid-wicket for six.

At the other end Shastri, the left-arm spinner, bowled with unrelenting accuracy throughout the morning. The West Indies did not have to rely on I orie alone to force the pace.

rely on Logic alone to force the pace.
Dujon played several handsome
drives in contributing 25 to an
unbroken sixth wicket partnership cleventh four to be hunch.

The 22-year-old was 96 when overnight partner Clive Lloyd was dismissed for 50, depriving him of constant encouragement and advice, but Logic, who had started his innings nervously, kept calm.

India might have been better placed but for poor fielding on Sunday, when Logic was dropped at seven and Lloyd at 18.

Lloyd said on Monday, the rest day. "Naturally, we'll be looking for as big a lead as possible. We are

anxious to wrap up the series here and we have an excellent chance". They lead 1-0 in the five match series.

The West Indies was also well placed in the Second Test in Port-of-Spain, leading by 219 on first innings, but india rallied to save the match by scoring 469 for seven

> DADIA: First Innings 209 (M. Anierneth 91, A.M. E. Roberts 4 for 48).

> FALL OF WICKETS: 1-98, 2-220, 3-250, 4-BOWLING: Kapil Dev. 29-7-68-0; Sandhu, 5-1-21-0; Maden Lol. 25-2-93-1; Shastri, 48-13-111-1; Venkataraghavan, 43-6-146-3; Gaek-wad, 1-1-0-0.

> > Other cricket, page 26! Speyer.

Umpires: D M Archer and S E Perris.

MOTOR CYCLING Sheene gets a factory Suzuki

for Monza race Barry Sheene is to have a factory prepared Suzuki engine and join the factory-backed HB-Suzuki team for Sunday's Italian Grand Prix at Mouza The 33-year-old British racer has scored points in both rounds of the 500cc world championship, in South Africa and France, riding a standard production machine supplied by Heron Suzuki, the British distributor.

With Randy Mamola, the Californian, Toni Mang, the fourtimes west German world cham-pion, and Loris Regianni, the young Italian rider all injured, the Japanese factory team faced prob-Japanese factory team faced prob-lems at Monza:

Mamola will race, alongside Franco Uncini, the reigning world champion, despite a broken bone in

his leg, but the others are not race fit, and Sheene has been drafted in to strengthen the injury-hit squad.

The decision to offer Sheene the factory help he has been asking for actory neep he has been asking for all season came after a meeting of race team managers at the weekend. "When we heard that Toni Mang was not available for the Italian round we had to do something quickly to help our bid to retain both the individual and manufac-turer's world titles, so Barry came into the picture," Race Director Garry Taylor said.

Garry Taylor said.

Heidelburg. West Germany (Reuter) - Motor-cycle racing claimed its fifth fatality in three weeks on Monday night when Bernhard Buerkle, the West German rider, died of injuries received A University Hospital spokesman said yesterday that Buerkle died of head injuries he sustained when he crashed during Sunday's 250cc West

German championship race in

the screws on Griffiths Terry Griffiths made hard work report before taking any further of his first round match in the world professional snooker championship sponsored by Embassy at Sheffield consider five weeks ample time for

pull back to 6-5, and went on to take the match 108. RESULTS: G Thorburn (Cert) leads / Cempbell (Aus), 5-4: 7 Griffiths beat M Wildman 10.8.

BOXING: Davey Larmour, of

Gordon Brown, the former Scotland and British Lions forward ography Broon from Troon will not after all face a libel ection from snother leading player, Isin Mackenzie writes. In his book. Brown referred to the incident in

OLYMPIC GAMES: China has OLYMPIC GAMES: China has been asked to reconsider a decision not to attend pre-Olympic events this summer, the Los Angeles games organizer. Peter Ueberroth said yesterday. China has said there will be no cultural and sports exchanges with the United States this year, because Washington granted political asylum to the tennis player Hu Na. "Here's one tennis player who is going to affect thousands of athletes again." Weberroth said. "We don't 'think it's right. We're appealing to the people's republic to be above that kind of behaviour."

World Cup in Texas this summer.

Menit Table match at Rugby tonight. The England prop Gary Pearce is also back in the side

as a payer to become a district selector, threatened leagal action.
Yesterday, Hardie aged 34, a B International said that on legal advice he had decided to drop the matter. "I still maintain that although my boot caught Brown in the face it was an accident", he said. I deny emphatically the remarks attributed to me, but I would rather that the incident is now finally Brown said that he was glad Hardie had taken the decision "It is: now over and done with and that is good in the interests of the game." he said.

he said.

The Bristol scrum half Richard Harding, who has been out of rugby since damaging ankle ligaments in a John Player Cup quarter-final at West Hartlepool six weeks ago, is back for the home match with Pontypool tonight. His return, and Mike Rafter's recovery from a back since damaging ankle ligaments in a John Player Cup quarter-final at West Hartiepool six weeks ago, is back for the home match with Pontypool tonight. His return, and Mike Rafter's recovery from a back injury means that Bristol are able to field the side they expect to play in the cup final against Leicester on April 30.

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FOR THE RECORD

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Mirraukae Brawers 14 Scetch Red Sox V. New York Yankees 3 Toroncto Bus Jays C. Beltimore Orless 4 Ceveland Indians 1; Minnesota Treins 8 Sectile Mariners 5; California A's 5, California Annels 3 Avigento C.

NATIONAL LEAGUE:
Philadelphia Philips 8, Chicago Cubs 2; Sar
[Diego Padres 10, Asanta Braves 3; Los
Angeles Dodgers 4, Sen Francisco Giente 3.

ICE HOCKEY

TABLE TENNIS
RESULTS: Men: Hong Kong int Scotland 5-0: Yong to Yang bit K Flodger, 21-13. 27-14; Chan Kong Wash St J Bros, 21-5, 21-16; Chan Kong Wash St J Bros, 21-5, 21-16; Chan Kong Wash St J Bros, 21-5, 21-16; Chan Kong Wash St K Flodger, 21-6; Yong Tu Yang bit O Harmath, 21-9, 21-19. Indie bt Australia 5-0, England bt New Zeekand 6-0: D Johnson Dt D 16, 21-16; 21-16; G. Sendley bt B Grifflet 21-16, 21-16; G. Sendley bt B Grifflet 21-16, 21-16; G. Sendley bt J Micros 21-15, 21-10; Johnson bt P Jackscor 21-8, 21-8, Nigerte bt Singapore 5-1, Mainysia bt Canada 5-3. Palatients bit Wates 5-2, Javed Chotani loet to A Grifflins, 21-15, 19-11; Artif Neldruda bt A Grifflins (Watesver), Javed Chotani loet to M Thomas, 21-12, 21-16; Artif Khen bt N Thomas, 22-24, 21-16, 21-19; Artif Khen bt N Thomas, 21-11, 21-9.

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Ariff Nakhuda bt M Thomas, 21-11, 21-9.

Malayale bt Walser 5-3: Lim Chin Leon lost to A Griffets, 22-20, 18-21, 20-22: Tay Kee bt N Thomas, 21-14, 21-16; Lee Kin Kee bt M Thomas, 21-14, 21-16; Lee Kin Kee bt M Thomas, 21-15, 12-21; Lim Chin Leong bt M Thomas, 21-14, 21-13; Lee Kin Kee bt N Thomas, 21-14, 21-13; Lee Kin Kee bt N Thomas, 21-12, 21-12; Tay Kee lost to M Thomas, 21-12, 21-12; Tay Kee lost to M Thomas, 14-21, 11-21; Lee Kim Kee bt A Griffith, 17-21, 21-18, 21-18.

Pakistan bt Singapore 5-2. Hong Keng bt New Zeelland 5-0, Irdia bt Scotland 5-1. Canada bt Singapore 5-2. England bt Ausmalia 5-1. Scotland bt Northern Ireland 5-2. Hong Kong bt India 6-8. Weise bt Singapore 5-3.

Wejesert Hongkong bt Malayalia 3-0. England

TENNIS

Both flat racing and jumping are some beating. So, too, is Henry tenham features the Anglo-Irish the Anglo-Irish was cleverly placed to win four races ockeys challenge match, sponsored by Courage. And if the go-shead is given after a 7.30 inspection at Liquidator, who showed himself to Epson, where racing was called off yesterday, our top trainers will be testing each other's classic defences three lengths at Newmarket last in the Warren Stakes, run over the Derby course and distance.

Michael Webster, the assistant

clerk of the course at Epsom said yesterday. If there is no overnight Tain racing should be possible as it is Such a quick-drying course."

Yesterday's Blue Riband Trial Stakes will however, not be incorporated in the programme.
We discussed the matter with the sponsors, Esals, yesterday and have decided that it was not worth while. Support from trainers has been poor and only five horses were declared. I can see that professionally the race could have been extremely interest-ing, but it would hardly have box office appeal."

a diametrically-opposed point of view. Guy Harwood, the trainer of Gordian, said: "We cannot afford to lose these classic trials, especially the one with surement afford to lose these classic trials, especially the ones with pattern race status. There is an obvious conflict of interests. Racecourse executives are primarily concerned with attracting paying customers and they are probably correct in their assump-tion that the running of this race would not attract a much larger crowd through the turnstiles. The trainers on the other had pro-gramme their horses for these

Draw advantage: Low numbers best.

[Television (ITV) 2.35, 3.10 and 3.40.]

Tota: Double 3.10, 4.10. Treble 2.35 3.40, 4.45.

2.0 BANSTEAD STAKES (2-Y-O maidens: £1,693: 51) (6 runners)

last season and is reported to be well forward, as is Bruce Hobbs's The

John Dunlop's Kempton winner Harly is another to be considered in a competitive affair. However, a competitive affair. However, preference is for the well thought of Shanipour, who is worth another chance after his disappointing run behing Welsh Idol at Haydock.

The City and Suburban Handicap may be won by Morality Stone. Last Saturday Philip Mitchell's six-year-old caused a SO-1 surprise when beating Portogon and Lion City in the Newbury Spring Cun. A

beating Portogon and Lion City in the Newbury Spring Cup. A repetition of that running should see Morality Stone prove too good at the weights for Cannon King, Florida Son and Uplands Park. On the Classic front Gorytus is now favourite for the 2,000 Guineas for the first time since he disappointed behind Diesis in last autumn's Dewhurst Stakes. The autumn's Dewhurst Stakes. The Tote now make Gorytus their fiirst choice in the market at 3-1, followed by Diesis and Danzatore, who are bracketed together at 100-30. A spokesman for Vincent O'Brien's spokesman for Vincent O'Brien's stable said yesterday that Danzatore had worked perfectly satisfactorily at Ballydoyle in the morning, but that no decision about the Northern

would not attract a much larger crowd through the turnstiles. The trainers on the other had programme their horses for these events and have legitimate grounds for grievance if every effort is not made to help them.

In the past two years the winners of the Warren Stakes, Glint of Gold and Old Country, have gone on to triumph in the Italian Derby, Glint of Gold's trainer, Ian Balding, is in fine form this season and his last year's winner, Shady Deal, and runner, Brogan, is going to take

Forbidden Fruit is | Mottram sweet for Eton boy

with too much to do, although he passed Wellingtonbridge on the run

are going to the Grand National Appeal Fund. Among the giants of the past who paraded after the

Giles Smyly, a 16-year-old Eton schoolboy who won the Heythrop Adjacent Hunt race a week 250 on his first ride, Forbidden Fruit, returned to win the Novice Riders' Open on the same horse at the Hunt's second meeting yesterday. Smyly returned to Eton today. His mother told me that his tutor had advised him always to read The Times. "Perhaps if he appears in The Times tomorrow," she added, "He will be allowed the occasional

Ian Balding: in form. defeated by Corbiere in the National Horses who have won in good style since the publication of the weights include Richdee and Forbidden Fruit and Wellingtonbridge set such a strong pace that the firm favourite, Brockie Law, ridden by Teresa Webber, was left

Fauloon. There are no penalties for this race, so both horses must be considered well handicapped.

The Tote make the British team of jockeys favourites at 11-8 on to beat their Irish opponents at Cheltenham. Peter Scudamore captains his quartet which consists of Steve Smith Eccles, Hywel Davis and Chris Grant. Ron Barry heads the Irish contingent which is completed by John O'Neill, Frank jockeys' title with the same firm, who offer O'Neill at 4-1 and Davis

RACING

and Barry at 6-1.

The odds against Davies look particularly attractive. His chance of winning the Courage Best Handicap Chase on David Baron's easy Liverpool winner, King or Country, is obvious. But the Tote may have is obvious. But the Tote may have made an error of judgment in offering 10-1 against Shady Dove, Davies's mount in the Courage Directors Handicap Hurdle.

Ridden by Cecil Price, Shady Dove showed great courage when defying 12st 51b at Bangor on Dee last Saturday. Walwyn's Imperial Cup winner Desert Hero is a worthy favoorite at 3-1 but it would appear

and Barry at 6-1.

favorrite at 3-1 but it would appear to require an act of Parliament to prevent Shady Dove from finishing in the first three with only eight

The Sedgefield meeting sched-uled for yesterday was cancelled because of waterlogging.

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Cheltenham NH

2.0 CHARLES TURNER HUNTERS CHASE (amateurs: £1,898: 3m 2f) (15 runners)

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S 1-61/ GEL C'WHSKEY P Hawitt 11-12-5 ________P Hewitt
LCRD DAWSON D White 9-12-5 _______G Uplon
8 2213 ROMAN GENERAL B Munro-Wison 10-12-5

Reserves

1907 MAGIC TIPP J Blundell 10-11-4 F Berry 111p BOLD ARGIANEMT (D) R Bladsmay 10-11-5 R Barry 210b MARSHAL NIGHT (C) J GRITOR 5-11-2 S Stuth Ecoles 0631 KING OR COUNTRY (CD) D Berons 12-11-1

5 00p0 MASTERSON (CD) Mrs M Rimel 8-11-0 — H Devise 6 0020 SLVERSARTH L Kernard 10-10-9 — J O'Nell 7 2300 PURYBOY (D) O Nicholson 10-10-0 — C Grant 8 0200 FLAMENG TESTWOOD (CD) H Trigg 9-10-0 .T Carmody

Ripon

Tote: double 3.5, 4.25. Treble: 2.30, 4.30, 5.0

[Television (BBC1) 2.30, 3.5 and 3.40 races]

1 11by BALLET MASTER Mrs J Hodoless 10-12-5 4 202 DOUBLE BLUFF (CD,B) F Winter 10-12-5

Delahooke looked sure to com-plets a treble with the classy and greatly fancied Border Burg in the restricted open. But Tom Illsley lost although he performed miracles in staying aboard and steering the hard-pulling favourite, an over bold leap at the third from home had them on the floor. James Tarry on Barbera's Bunny then took com-mand, but they came down at the next, leaving Mrs Annis Garfield to canter in at her leisure on Percy Duckett.

In the Belveir Open at Garthorpe Boonabaroo, riden by Peter Gree-nall, jumped the last fence level with Hernshaw and Towtazoe, but the Hernshaw and Towtame, but the champion's strength from the saddle settled the issue on the run in. Apart from a Mulish display by Duc de Boledec, who dug his toes in and then refused three fences out, the adjacent provided another fine race. Officers' Reject set a scorching pace, but Vulgarion, competently handled by Bill Strawson, gradually pegged back his long lead, winning eleverly by a length in a first time.

the past who paraded after the second race were Corbiere, Gittar, Spartan Missile, Red Rum, Crisp, Spanish Steps and The Dikler, as much on his toes as ever There was plenty of excitement fo James Delahooke, joint secretary of the Whadden, at his hunt's postponed meeting at Little Horwood last Saturday. Having easily won the members' race with Go Straight, ridden by young Mark Brown, his Jack of All Trades, with Tom Illsley up, whithheld the challenge of the odds-on favourite, Spartan Lace, in a three-horse John Liewellyn started the day one behind Peter Greenall in the leading riders' table at the Glassorleading riders' table at the Glamorgan put him one in front by the evening. Jenny Pidgeon rode the winner of the Portman Ladies' Open for the fourth successive year – on Zarajeff she also finished second in 1978. No wonder Badury Rings is her favourite course.

Today's fature: Aus Vale Harriers at Staford Cross (2.0)

Berry maintains his strike rate

Jack Berry's 41-1 double with Lady Cara and Blackpool Belle at

Wolverhampton yesterday brought the Lancashire trainer's score this flat season to 13. He has already flat season to 13. He has already turned out nearly half as many winners from his Cockerham stable as he did all last year, when his successes netted £52,000.

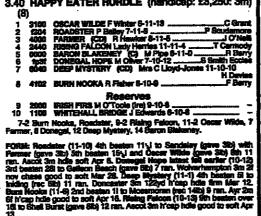
Rain and snow put the meeting in jeopardy until the eleventh hour, and the going could not have been more testing. Riackpool Belle, a dainty little filly who cost only 640

Spartan Lace, in a three-horse Webster's Open.

guiness at the Doncaster yearling gamess at the Doncaster yearing sales, did not look the type to go on heavy ground. But she followed up last Wednesday's 10-length Hanniton win with another comfortable victory in the Forget Me Not Selling Stakes.

Wolverhammton-born Kevin

Wolverhampton-born Wolverpampun-born
Darley led all the way on Blackpool
Belle and made much of the running
on Lady Cara, who, understandably
as she was sired by Lochnager,
revelled in the going to land the
Cyclamen Maiden Stakes.



3.40 HAPPY EATER HURDLE (handicap: £3,250: 3m)

4.25 HOFMEISTER LAGER HURDLE (handicap: 3.250. 2(1) (a)

3131 DESERT HERO (3) F Walwyn 9-11-12 (5 cd) __R Benry
2029 GREAT LICHT J Jenkins 5-11-10 _____ S Smith Eccles
p-002 HONESON (3) J Gifford 6-11-8 ____ J O Neil
0001 SHADEY DOVE (6) R Pice 9-11-11 (5 cd ____ H Device
1134 DISHCLOTH (9) Mass G Griffiths 9-11-5 __P Scudamore
2420 BALLYDURROW (D) R Fisher 6-11-1
12-p THE FOODEROKER P Haynes 7-10-13 _____ T Carmody
1401 VELESO (0,8) J King 5-10-11 _____ G Grant 52,574: 2m 4f) (8) 11-4 Hal's Joy, 100-30 Ambiance, 4 Ra Nove, 6 A T S Prince, 13-2 tre Chaval, 7 Silver Wind, 8 Raise The Offer, 12 Cantable.

5.0 ANCHOR HOTELS HURDLE (novices: £1,862: 2m

MALPORD LAD (CD.8) R Hamber 5-11-12 M Piches
MEMBER'S RELISH D Nichcleon 5-11-12 P Soudes
MISS WILLIE MIS T PSHORD 7-11-12 Mr WI
OUR FUN J Gifford 6-11-5 R R
GREENWOOD LAD J Gifford 6-11-5 P Nicho
LIMEDAL F Westyn 5-11-5 P Nicho
NORSCLK SOUSE J Colston 7-11-5 JB
PUCKA PADDY W McKenzie-Cols 6-11-6 P HC
ROSERT BLAKE K Lewis 8-11-5 Shew Kr
WESTERN MELODY P Permit 8-11-5 Shew Kr
WESTERN MELODY P Permit 8-11-5 R Nichol 3 Linawn, 4 Ansos, 5 Leen Ar Achaldh, 13-2 Our Fun, 7 Mes Wille, 8 emond Huster, 10 Lunedale, 12 Meen Olpper, 16 others. Cheltenham selections

By Michael Seely
2.0 Double Bluff, 2.30 Studey Dove. 3.5 King Or Country. 3.40
Farmer, 4.25 Ambiance. 5.0 Arrus. **Epsom selections** By Michael Seely

2.0 Sylvan Barnum. 2.35 Shanipour. 3.10 Morality Stone. 3.40 Pusey Street. 4.10 Snow Card. 4.45 Fort

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.35 The Liquidator, 3.10 Uplands Park, 4.10 Kiev.

5-2 Cubic Zirconia, 100-30 Northern Beau, 4 Heldigvis, 6 Mid Special, 8 Finale Sept, 10 Ceddagut, 12 Chingaire, 20 others. 4.15 DANBY HANDICAP (Selling: 2977: 1m) (15)

23 60/6- RIBODEN G Flatcher 5-8-15 _______ A Bond 2 26 4419- FREEDÖM GLORY T Fairtumt 3-8-5 _____ R Edict 13

4.45 FOUNTAINS HANDICAP (3-Y-O: 21,648: 5f) (7) 5 0403 - FREEMOLY BORBY (D) T Faithurst 9-7 M Beautoft 5 8 930-2 SPACEMAKER BOY (D) G Fistcher 9-0 A Bond 9 905- REAL COOL P Asquith 8-8 K Warley 10 0300- MERRY 7-ASSE (CD) W Bentley 8-5 G Gray 11 023-0 YABBEEN (B) C Sparse 8-5 W Goldsbrough 7 13 00-21 RAPID LADY (D) Mrs M Nebbit 8-2 (6 ext) S Griffithe 7 14 2-103 SUPER WARRIOR (D) K Neby 7-10 ... S Horstal 7 15-5 Secretarius Sparse 8-5 2 Smith Laby 4 Standard Robins 6 Smith 8-8 miles 1 15-6 Secretarius Sparse 8-6 2 Smith Laby 4 Standard Robins 6 Smith 8-8 miles 1 15-6 Secretarius Sparse 8-6 2 Smith Laby 4 Standard Robins 6 Smith 8-6 miles 1 15-6 Secretarius Smith 8-6 Miles 1 15-6 Secretarius Smith 8-6 Miles 1 15-6 Secretarius Smith 8-6 Miles 1 15-6 Secretarius Smith 8-6 Miles 1 15-6 Secretarius Smith 8-6 Miles 1 15-6 Secretarius Smith 8-6 Miles 1 15-6 Secretarius Smith 8-6 Miles 1 15-6 Secretarius Smith 8-6 Miles 1 15-6 Secretarius Smith 8-6 Miles 1 15-6 Secretarius Smith 8-6 Miles 1 15-6 Spacemaker Soy, 5-2 Repld Lady, 4 Friendly Bobby, 6 Super Warrior, 10 Merry Tases, 16 others. 5.15 SPA WELTER STAKES (£1,993: 6f) (13)

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makes the day notable

The State Express Classic, one of The State Express Classic, one of five British tourmanments on the men's grand prix circuit coordinated with the help of Volvo's bank account, slipped into first gear yesterday with a series of matches featuring winners like Wally Masurand losers like Alberto Tous. Can it and losers like Alberto Tous. Can it be wondered at that there is some doubt about which is the main event at Bournamouth – the grand grix tournament or the over-35 doubles? How times have changed since, for example, 1949, when there was a programme of 225 matches in five events and the men played singles and doubles over the best three out of five sets, with no tie-breaks. This week only 59 matches are scheduled, 46 of them in the singles and doubles of the grand prix event and doubles of the grand prix event and 13 in the over-35 doubles. In the old days the public had better value for money and more players could bask in the sunshine of publicity. Can you believe that in terms of

the quantity of entertainment provided (that it, the number of matches) the men over 35 are earning an average of almost £2,000 a match more than today's heroes of the grand prix circuit? Nor does it say much for the modern game that there are now three separate over-35 circuits, all of them successful.

Bob Howe and David Whitehead,

Bob Howe and David Whitehead, organizers of the Bournemouth over-35 event, are somewhat embarrassed: how do they cope with fact that more and more players are eager to be invited and that the big name, getting past it, can easily be plunged into competition with much younger men still good enough to earn high rankings and good money from the gand prix circuit? If we may assume that the grand

Gimenez: a look of anxiety as defeat looms large yesterday. "But I think it a relic of the past -this sacrosanct idea that you should play on all surfaces." Kurt Nielsen, who will be assumption one of yesterday's most interesting results was Christoper Mottram's 6-2,6-2 win over Angel Gimenez, who won the tournament in 1980, was runner-up last year, but remembered as one of the greatest of competitors at Wimbledon, comwas in the draw this time only as a wild card, which is to say that the organizers, rather than his world mented later: "young players must-try it all, to develop their games. But ranking decided he deserved to stablished, with nothing to prove,

After one of the earlier matches
Pat Cash, beaten by Thierry
Tulasne, had suggested that fastcourt specialists like himself had
"more guis" than slow-court
specialists who refused to play on
fast surfaces. Cash rather indicated
that it was necessary to always and THIRD CUALIFYING ROUND: C Brachum bt N Brown 7-5, 6-4; M Mytung (SA) bt J Dier, 6-4, 6-4; R Viver (ECU) bt M Westpal (WG), 6-4, 2-6, 6-2;

can choose their surfaces

PIRST ROUND A Genzabai (ARG) bt J Smith (GB), 6-3.6-7, 7-5; C J Mothram (GB) bt A Gensense (SP), 6-2, 6-2; V Peoci (PARPA) bt F Segarciarwa (ROM, 6-3, 6-4; W Masur (AUSTRIA) bt A Tous (SP), 1-6, 7-5, 6-4; J Bates (GB) bt G Morraton (FRA), 6-2, 7-6. that it was necessary to play on all

Stomach pains force Lloyd out

Mottram said that at Cash's age

Las Vegas (Reuter) - John Lloyd, of Britain, was taken to bospital yesterday for tests and observation after suffering stomach pains before he was to play in a US \$400,000 tournament here. Lloyds was told to remain in hospital for more tests and scratched from the tournament. His place was taken by qualifier Lloyd Bourne (US), who lost to Tom Gullikson, another American, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4. defeated Johan Kriek, the number five seed, 7-6, 6-1 to win the singles title at the US\$255,000 Pacific Southwest Open.

Kriek, who beat the top seed, defending champion Jimmy Connors, in the semi finals, complained afterwards about his shoes. 'I have to do something about my shoes. I'm getting paid 100,000 dollars a year to use certain shoes, and I didn't have any of those. I have to buy my own shoes. I was

BULTS (US unless stated: R Ven't T Hof bt have to buy my own shoes. I was NOSIOLIS (US unless absock H vent't Hot fit J Alocander (Jus), 76, 62, M de Palmer bt N Satisto, 6-4, 6-2, S Detramalva bt V Ven Patten, 6-4, 6-2, S Denton bt T Hogsted (Swe), 6-4, 6-4; T Guillison bt L Bourne, 6-3, 4-6, 6-5; M Purcull bt M Bauer, 7-6, 7-5, M Edmondson bt B Gilbart, 6-4, 6-2. skidding around After winning a tie-break to take the first set, Mayer took the first five games of the second set before Kriek

Kriek was given a warning. "I swore in my native tongue", the South African who has become an American citizen said later. Grenelefe, Florida (Reuter) --Barbara Potter, the seventh seed, served seven aces on her way to a 6-

4, 7-6 first round victory over unseeded fellow American Louise Allen in the US\$200,000 tournament here yesterday. She now faces Wendy Turnbull of Australia in the

round (US unless stated): L Arrays (Paru) bt B Bjork (Swe), 6-3, 6-3, B Poter bt L Allen, 6-4, 7-6 (7-5); R Eny (GB) bt L Sandin (Swe), 4-6, 8-4, 8-4; E Sayers (Aus) bt G Purdy, 6-7, 6-3, 6-3, A Moulton w/o L Thompson, withdrew injured:

RUGBY LEAGUE

Wigan's peer at Wembley

Los Angeles (Reuter) - Gene Mayer, the second seed, yesterday

By Keith Macklin Lord Gormley, a rugby league supporter from boyhood and a lifelong supporter of Wigan will

Joe Gormley hails from Ashton-in-Makerfield a small town bordering Wigan. He went down the mines at 14 did almost every job underground then, as history records, rose through the union movement to become president of the National Union of Mineworkcrs. Although his union and political duties eventually took him away from his native Lancashire, he continued to watch rugby league whenever possible, and he has many times attended the Wembley final.

Lord Gormley's interest in the same continues through his family

game continues through his family. His nephew Ian Gormley is hooker on the books of Widnes. Although the chief guest at Wembley is expected to be impartial, it will be President does not lean a little towards the underdogs Featherstone Rovers, the team from a small pit town in West Yorkshire.

The executive committee of the Rugby League have met representatives of the first grade referees and next season the "sin bin" will have a totting-up system. This season some players are believed to have treated this new form of punishment with cynicism, regarding five or ten minutes spells in the bin as being minutes spells in the bin as being worthwhile for the chance of getting in a dig at an opponent. From next season there will be a one point disciplinary penalty for a five minute spell, two for a ten minute spell, and four points will mean eligibility for a one match suspension by the disciplinary committee.

ROWING **Baillieu** to win again

The Wingfield Sculls, the Amateur Championship of the Thames and of Britain, to give it its full title, takes place over the Putney to Mortlake championship course this evening starting at 6 pm. Chris Baillien will be defending the title he has won for the past two years and, barring an accident, which is always a possibility on the flotsam-strewn waters of the Tideway, he will win ngain.
Tim Crocks, who won in 1977

and 1978, also competes; but although he can still probably beat most British scullers, he is no longer training at international level and would not expect to match Baillieu who has never been out of international level training in 10

The only man who might provide a scrious challenge is Steven Redgrave, who has great promise, but lacks the experience for this task. He finished third in the Scallers Head 10 days ago, 12 seconds behind Baillien Baillien's standards against the control of the seconds behind Baillien Redition's the seconds behind Baillien Baillien's the seconds behind Baillien Baillien's the seconds behind Baillien Baillien Baillien's new double scalls partner, Jonathan Spencer-Jones, will also be hoping to stay with the leaders

DRAW: No 1 (Surrey) T J Crooks, 2, J Spencer-Jones, 3, S Redgrave, 4, C L Baillieu, 5, R Philips, 6, (Middlesex) G Pratt. **EQUESTRIANISM**



was able to hold his own serve.

Mrs Edgar: Lucky qualifier.

Big threat from the **Americans**

By Jenny MacArthur There are five British riders competing in the final of the FEI Volvo World Cup Holland in Vienna which starts with the Vienna which starts with the preliminary rounds today. They are John Whittaker, who leads the European league, Nick Skelton, who is second, Maicolm Pyrah, Stephen Hadley and Liz Edgar.

Whittaker is riding Ryan's Son, aged 15, on whom he won the qualifying round at Birmingham earlier this month, and Clonce Temple. Skelton rides St James, Pyrah has Towerlands Anglezarke and Towerlands Diamond Secker, Hadley's Cup qualifier is Sunorra and Mrs Edgar rides her great partner Everest Forever.

All the riders, except for Hadley,

partner Everest Forever.

All the riders, except for Hadley, competed at last year's final in Gothenburg where Whittaker achieved the best British result by finishing third. Mrs Edgar has not qualified for the final but she gained her place when some of those who had qualified, including David Broome and Norbert Koof and Gert Wiltfang, of Germany decided not to come. to come.

This is the fifth running of the World Cup with 32 riders from 11

water competing. Today is a warm-up day before the first two rounds of the Cup tomorrow and Friday. The final, in which there are two rounds and no jump-off, takes place on Sunday afternoon. In place on Sunday afternoon, In between there are international jumping classes.

All the British riders, except for Mrs Edgar, have brought out horses in addition to their World Cup qualifiers for these competitions.

By far the biggest threat to the British riders are the Americans. They have wan the Cup for the practical process.

They have won the Cup for the past three years and Melanie Smith on Calypso, the holder, is here to defend her title. Others who have qualified from the north American east coast league include Katie Monahan, Mark Leone, who came ninth last year, Donald Cheska and Conrad Homefeld.

From the European league the main challenge to the British is likely to be Paul Schockemohle of Germany with Deister.

There is some discontent here about the stabling. Frifty four houses are in a marquee which yesterday, admittedly a warm day, was hot and stuffy. The "stables" are no more than stalls and one of the English grooms who arrived here on Samrday from Gothenburg had first to make up the horses beds and then so in search of planks of wood then go in search of planks of wood to act as barriers across the entrance so that the horses could be left loose. HOCKEY

England on target for lively win From Joyce Whitehead

Kasia Lampur

After the disappointment round of the World Cup England defeated Scotland 5-1 yesterday and the United States beat New Zealand 2-1, scoring the winner from the short corner in the last minute. England and the United States will play off for fifth and sixth place of Friday morning.

Jane Swinnerton scored for England in the first minute and went on to score three more goals. In the first half Scotland had a fair share of the attack and Marietta Craigie scored their only goal to cut the lead to 3-1. Linda Carr and Miss Swinnerton completed the scoring in the second half of a match played

Today the Netherlands play West Germany and Canada meet Austra-lia in the semi-final round. Ireland tia in the senti-final round. Ireland meet Spain in the final of the Intercontinental Cup tomorrow.

WORLD CUP (Seventh to tenth places): Sowiet Union 3, Wales D; Argentha 1, India D. First to eight places: England 5, Scotland 1; Union States 2, New Zealand 1.

WITERCONTINENTAL CUP: Minth place: Austra 2, France 1.

There will be 12 women's teams for the Olympic Games at Los Angeles in 1984 according to a statement made in Kuala Lumpur yesterday by the Federation Interna-tionale de Hockey. So far only the United States, as host country, are assured of their place.

England in fixture clash-

By Sydney Friskin An unfortunate clash of interest-has forced England to withdraw has forced England to withdraw from the junior home countries tournament at Aberystwith on July 9 and 10. The England under-21 side will be in Portugal for a European junior championship qualifying torunament from July 13 to 17 at a venue near Lisbon. England's rivals these will be Spain, Gibrahtar and Sweden and the teams finishing first and second will qualify for the junior championship to be held in the summer of 1984.

The event in Portugal clashes, with the senior home countries tournament in Cardiff on July 16 and 17 which means that a few players good enough to be considered for both the senior and junior squads will be affected. No junior squads will be affected. No other plans have been formulated for the senior team which will play in the semor team which will play in the European championship at Amsterdam from August 19 to 29.

The England indoor team however, will have a few useful exercises before they take part in the European championship at Meadowbank from February 10 to 12 next year. They will play in the home countries indoor tournament at the same venue on January 7 and 8, moving on to tournaments in the, Netherlands
The county championship (outdoors) will have a new format next

season. There will be an open draw-after each round but the champions of the 1982-83 season. Lancashire, will be exempt from the preliminary round Neston, the new ciub champions,

could meet Slough, whom the defeated 3-2 in the final last Sunday, in the final of the inter-



soling: 25:72-51).

BLACKGOOL BEILE br i by The BrianstanSovereis Sweep (3 Hark) 8-12
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Who (Incara The Genne G Duffield (10-1) 3 3.6 (3.02) PRIMBOSE HANDICAP (3-Y-C: £1,368:70) 5.0 (5.05) NARCISSUS STAKES (Div II 3-y-o meidone: 2897: 1m 4f) Caracterists — G Startoy (8-1) 3

TOTE: War: 98,60. Places: \$1.70, \$3.70, \$2.10. DR: \$47.10. CSF. \$28.00. TRICAST: \$707.30. H Thorston Jones at Newmarkst, \$3, \$1.1. Son Of A Genner (11-6 fev). La Perrichai (\$2) 4th. 10 ran. Chevaster — Facil (10-1) 3 TOTE Wirt 218.90. Places: 23.90, £1.30, 22.40. DF: 215.10. CSF: £58.01 S Norton, at Bornsley, Nit, 71. Keep It Dark (4-1 it fav), Tactic (6-1) 451, 11 rzn. NR: Lord Chemicices. PLACSPOT: £25.15. 2.30 (3.32) LILAC HANDICAP (E1,425: 1m)

TUTE: Wir: £12.00. Piscos: £3.40, £1.70. £3.00. DF: £88.70. CSF: £131.71. J Berry £2 Codestram. 2-J. & Shekian (9-4 fav) 421. 18 ran. NF: Brancisn's Choice.

2.30 (2.34) FORGET-ME-NOT STAKES (2-y-o: 80mg: 2572: 51).

Reserve
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9-4 King Or Country, 11-4 Mershall Night, 5 Megic Tipp, 13-2 Bold
Argument, 8 Masterson, Silversmith, 10 Fury Boy, 16 Flaming Testwood. Argument, 8 Masterson, Stversmith, 10 Fury Boy, 19 Hamming Hastwood.
FORINE Magic Tip latest fee serier (11-10) not in first 9 to Tiepolino (rec. 20th) 19 ran. Liverpool 2m 6f hr cap chase soft Apr 7. Bold Argument latest pulled up serier (11-2) won 3f from Toms Little Al (rec. 15 6) 9 ran. Liverpool 2m 6f hr cap chase good to soft Mar 3. Marshall Regits (10-7) 5th beates 23t to Artifico (gave 7fb) 9 ran. Liverpool 2m hr cap chase soft Apr 9. King Cr. Country (16-0) won 4f from Pay Related (gave 16-b) 12 ran. Liverpool 2m 4f hr cap chase soft Apr 7. Masterson pulled up latest earlier (11-7) not in first 9 to Elsell (rec. 25b) 20 ran. Wolverhampton 2n-4th hr cap hale soft Feb 7. Stiversmith (10-3) 6th beaten 63th Cichides (gave 16b) 6 ran. Ascot 2m 4f hr cap chase soft Apr 6. Fury Boy (11-11) 6th beaten 14-b) to Moonshot (rec. 21b) 10 ran. Lucidov 2m 4f hr cap chase good Mar 31. Planning Teatwood latest pulled up earlier (11-3) 5th beaten 51 to Ocean Patrol (rec. 16b) 8 ran. Wincarston 2m 5t hr cap chase firm Sep 16.
SELECTIONS Marshall Night. Draw advantage: low numbers best 2.45 GREWELTHORPE STAKES (2-y-o: £1,800: 5f) (11 nunners)

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11 LAK LUSTRE (D) R Fisher 9-3
12 MONSWART (D) M H Easterby 9-3
13 CAPTAIN TOMBE Miss 5 Hall 8-11
14 FFTY QUID SHORT Airs M Nesbit 8-11
16 SELVER TOKEN I Fairhurst 8-11
17 WEE FROSTY P Calver 8-11
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14 MONEY SHOWNERS BREET R JANUARY BREET R SHOWNERS BREET 5-4 Monawart, 9-4 Lak Lustre, 9-2 Reach, 8 Wee Frosty, 12 Silver 3.15 'LIFE BEGINS AT FORTY' STAKES (amateurs: 2 01-00 EURLINGTON LAD J Perrett 4-11-10

DOWN FLIGHT ch c by Run The Gauntiet-Feather Bed (E Moler) 9-0 B Crossley (evens tay) Johnson (50-1) 3 TOTE: Whrt: E2.20, Placeas: 21.10, 63.00, 54.20, DF: 29.10, CSF: 211.59, G Wagg, et Nowmarket, 101, 14, Jacper's Mount (50-1) 431.12 rars. NR: Secret Past. 4.30 (4.33) TULIP HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,381: 1m.36)

3 Sagamore, 7-2 Maestrette, 9-2 Great Pretender, 6 Blue Breeze, 8 Mister Accord, 10 Mister Lord, TcRymore, 12 Motorway Madness, 20 others. 3.45 STUDLEY ROYAL HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,730: 2 000-1 CUBIC ZIRCONIA (D) R J WILLIAMS 9-7 8 2014 CADDAGAT D Sasse 8-12 7 240-0 CHANGATRE R Holbrichead 8-11 8 61-2 SENTS EPOPE M Tomptons 8-10 9 091- FMALE SCIT M H Exitaty 8-10 10 0000- KIDWEEK SPECIAL G Philaterick

5.15 SPA WELTER STAKES (21,993: 61) (13)

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5 023-6 KANO R.OWER I Walley 4-9-2 _____ P Colquinorn

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10 404-4 COTTAGE STYLE W A Stephenson 4-9-18 ____ Shoets

11 0039/ GREY AT LAST (8) Perice 5-9-18 ____ S Webster

14 1 MALACCA STREET W O'Gorman 3-9-0 _____ T hvet

16 04-1 LOCH PEARL (3) M H Easterby 3-9-5 ____ M Birch

17 59 AVERLYR P Calver 3-9-0 _____ O Gray

19 0 MAGILS M Tompions 3-9-0 _____ R Curant

20 0 EOFFAT H Whaten 3-9-0 _____ N Cornocton 3

22 6-2 RETURN MATCH J W Wests 3-8-0 ____ N Cartisle 3

4-6 Mejacca Street 3 Loch Perick A Return Match 10 Magila. 4-5 Melecca Street, 3 Loch Peerl, 4 Return Match, 10 Magus, 12 Some Yoyo, 20 others.

Ripon selections

Failure's fruit

has the seeds

of tomorrow's

improvements

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

What has happened, many must

principles of batting. How is it that

they have become so neglected? It is not as though no time is spent on

youth coaching. At what may be called state level, there is probably

more of it than ever before - not more cricket played, but more coaching given. In the face of opposition from other sports and

pastines, the independent schools have kept going pretty well. In the first-class game last year there were no fewer than 60 players who had

Where it seems to me the emphasis is wrong is later on, when time that should be given to practising cricket is spent, instead, bending and stretching, to achieve a type of fitness more suited to withstanding 15 three-minute rounds at the Albert Hall than 15 six-hall queer from Langes and

six-ball overs from Lawson and Lillee on the way to making 150 against Australia at Lord's.

Once, after Gary Player had conjured some miraculous shot from under the face of a bunker to

from under the face of a bunker to within an inch or two of the hole, a speciator said to him, "Gosh, that was lucky." "Yes", answered Player, "and I'll tell you this: the more I practise the luckier I get." Player is a keep-fit fanatic, but not at the expense of practice. On most England cricket tours, insufficient time is spent in the nets. Last winter's was no exception. The one-

winter's was no exception. The one-

day slog leads to so many bad batting habits that the need for

ironing them out was never greater.

players within the county game takes effect so the number of sides with a recognizable chance of

the usual claims of the England Test

side, some counties will be more

deprived than other during the

period of the Prudential World Cup,

when, concurrent with the jam-

boree, four championship games will be played. The reigning champions, Middlesex, and last year's runners-up, Leicestershire, as

well as Hampshire, Essex, Somerser and Sussex seem to have a fair

chance. Derbyshire (without Kirsten and, for much of the season,

Wright), Glamorgan, Gloucester-shire, Nottinghamshire, Warwick-

shire and Worcestershire have very

More young English players will find regular first team places than for some time. Worcestershire, for

example, without Turner and

Alleyne, will sometimes be playing six or seven of them; so will Kent,

captain, Tavaré. In Selvey, from Middlesex, Giamorgan also have a

new captain, their seventh in the last

winning the championship reduced. This season, too, bes

As the restriction on overseas

A continuation of one of the

mastiest Aprils for a long time has

Caused the postponement of the Start of the Pust-class cricket season.

Glamorgan, who were to have beened it by meeting Cambridge

inversity at Fenner's today, have

een advised that there is no chance

artiest. The ground is awash; artiest Piece, alongside it, has been

of any play until tomorrow at the carliest. The ground is awash;

for the last two days like an arctic

When things do get under way, the counties, for the first time, will be playing twenty-four three-day championship atches. They have played 32 before now, and 30 and 28. They have even played 20. There was a time in the 30s when to squalify for the Championship, they had to play a minimum of 24, though mostly they opted to play smore. Next year, if some counties chave their way, they may play 16,

thave their way, they may play 16, fout of four days each.

The reason for raising the number from the 22 of 1982 to 24 in 1983 is

rto selectors and players before an England side has to be chosen. County members are pleased about

This is the last season, incidentally, in which the championship will be sponsored by Schweppes. For firms wanting to take their below and within the champions and within the champions and within the champions.

place, and wishing to promote next year what is the best competition of

its kind in the world, the asking figure, from Lord's, is £250,000. Should they be interested in a

package deal, the championship and the one-day, sponsored this year, by Prudential for the last-time, are available for £400,000. The one-day interprised a no perfer on their

internationals are on offer on their own for £150,000. If firms need any

edicouragement, the remarkable rise in Cornhill's business since their becoming indentified with Test

cricket should provide it From

being in the second half of the

insurance game's second division

they are now near the top of the

i am told on the one hand that the

rooks are building high, a sure sign, it is said, of a fine summer, and on

the other that the mouseholes are facing south, an equally sure sign of

a cold one. If the mice have got it

am hopeful that by the season's end

we shall have found two or three young England cricketers with great

rong and the selectors get it right, I

By the time it ended the tour to

Australia had become for most of us a depressing business. Yet the very cause for England's failure there could become one of the reasons for

a revival now. In the absence of flair, the selectors must look for a

good, sound method. Simply by turning on the television, even 12,000 miles away, people who know next to nothing about cricket

could see the horrors that come from lacking such method.

esterday. It was 50 years ago that

He came on a month's trial, a

miner's son born at Kippax in

Yorkshire, and was engaged not

only as a player but also to help in

ton County Ground.

too, and that matters.

Bugner could silence the man of few words

Danny Sutton, a former South "Smiley's" manager, Don White, Carolina farm boy, seems unlikely has filed a law suit demanding at to stretch either the repertoire or reputation of Joe Bugner in their ten After such antics it is revealing to rounds heavyweight boot at the be told that Sunton is shy and

dilemma, ignored by both cham-pions and novices. Lucien Rodri-guez, the European title holder, will not meet him, and neither will the unbeaten prospect Frank Bruno.

So Bugner's Indian summer is getting a distinct chill about it. A less than comprehensive dismissal of the 24-year-old Sutton, known as Smiley', will hardly enhance his chances of getting into the world title ring via the number seven slot occupied by Randy 'Tex' Cobb; whom he is due to meet next. It is hard to see what Bugner can gain from tonight's outing, apart from useful physical exercise and a few thousand pounds towards his superannution. The American, tike

so many imported against British heavyweights, means absolutely nothing in world terms,

tiuous engagement with Shavers, which took place on the carrier USS Yorktown, anchored in Charleston harbour, is still being disputed in the courts. The referee left the ring in disgust at the reciprocal misdemeanours, disqualifying both men. The local boxing commission later changed the result to a sechnical knock-out for Shavers but

Association, now flourishing under the administrative aegis of the Professional Golfers' Association, is

ping to acquire a new star

noting to acquire a new star attraction this season. They have received a request for an application form from Juli Inkatez, the United States amateur champion.

The American equivalent of the WPGA, the Ladies Professional

Golf Association, had hoped to recruit Mrs inhaster this season, but, against all expectations, she failed to win her players' card at the last

qualifying competition in January. It was one of the more remarkable occurrences of the American winter,

since Mrs Inkster is recognized as a player of exceptional ability, having won their amateur champlonship on

Mrs Inkster suffered cruel luck

during the qualifying competition, held at the Bent Tree Golf & Racquet Club at Sarasota, Florida,

Alexandra Pavilion tonight. He is a withdrawn. Bugner has never been Alexandra Pavilion tonight. He is a withdrawn. Bugner has never occur of few words, and even that, and comes into his own against opponents who lack ambition. Sutton, stopped in his last bout by Buropean champion does not the former WBA champion John account for him as cursorily as he has his last three opponents.

At 33, Bugner finds himself in a dilemma, ignored by both champion in the carrier of these days) is a southpaw, but I cannot see him testing branch and contact and conta Bugner's endurance, or the arith-metical powers of the referce, Mike

An indication of how hard it has become to find suitable heavyweight opposition in Europe is that the Swedish prospect Anders Ecklund is without a foe for his anticipated British debut. The trouble is", says the young Goliath being touted as the next white hope, "they take one look at me and run." Perhaps the promoter, Frank Warren, in the manner of the booths, should invite challenges from the audience.

Errol Christie, the unbeaten Coventry middleweight, will have his fourth professional contest

against the American Sam Leonard, of Tulsa, at the Stevenage Leisure

He is said to have won 22 out of 25 contests, and been floored only once, by the former contender Erme Shavers, who beat Bugner a week

Trainer's theory

New York (Reuter) As boxen tend to beat fighters the second time. New York (Reuter) As boxers tend to beat fighters the second time manager, he is confident of a victor for his man whenever the remate with Colin Jones of Britain for the vacant World Boxing Council
welterweight title is staged. McCrory and Jones battled to a draw in the March 19 contest in Reno, Nevada

54 by terrential rain.
The LPGA had announced in

Four players have previously won-three United States amateur champiouships in successive years,

but not since the sequence of

Virginia Van Wie in 1932 to 34. Mrs. Inkster's success as a professional seemed assured, but to start with, at least, she has suffered an unexpec-

The first event of the WPGA

which was staged to fill the title left vacant by the retirement of Sugar Ray Leonard.

They gained 35sec, but a concerted chase, led by the professionals, forced them to give

Tony (Doyle) to jump away."

With Doyle, 2 winner as an amateur of the Manchester-Rhyl race, which sired the Sealink International, was Phil Thomas, his

At Ryde, just as the Dutchm was about to be recaught, Doyle stopped with a punctured rear tyre. After receiving a new wheel, he linked up with Bayton to regain the bunch just as the three leaders were ioined by Gardiner aged 20 and Garniër, aged 21.

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CYCLING On the attack and then defeated

By John Wilcockson

Britain's bome-based pro essionals marked their return to international stage racing with an mpressive show of attacking in the first stage of the Sealink Race, on the Isle of Wight, yesterday. But punctures prevented them from capitalizing on their gains, and it is Albert Wekema, a Dutch rider, who teturns to the mainland with the vellow jersey, just as he did a year

15-second bonus by outspeeding Keith Lambert of the British Professionals Team, at the finish in Sandown They were followed across the line by David Gardiner, aged 20, from Ireland, who moves into second place overall, Jean-Luc came together with 20 of the 144 came together with 20 of the 144 kilometres route remaining. The constant changes of direction on a bright breezy day, dictated the early tectics, and there were only two notable breaks in the first half of the intricate route that visited all four corners of the island. The first was by Dominique Lardin, a member of the interprising French team, the second by Phil Bayton, the British Professional Circuit racing champion.

up their beligerence in the shadow of Carisbrooke castle, with 40 kilometres remaining. "As we kilometres remaining "As we caught them," Lambert said, "I told

team colleague. They were joined by Lambert, Wekema and Lesniewski. Bayton had also been with them, but punctured as they passed through Newport for the third time. With the lead at 20sec, Wekema attacked on a short hill, and Thomas departed from the rear. He was suffering from a stomach complaint that forced him to stop. He gamely restarted to finish almos The LPGA had announced in advance that the top 15 players (and ties) would qualify, together with those who received an average of 76 or better during the competition. Miss lakster was among the 49 players in that category on the first day but she was handicapped on the second day by the loss of a contact lens on the misth hole. She finished with an 81 and missed the 36-hole cat. 12 minutes behind the leaders.

IN BRIEF Leicester not to

Leicester, already without Dusty Hare, who is unavailable for the John Player Rugby Union Cup final

game at Moseley.

Dodge, who has been out for a formight with hamstring trouble, is keen to play, but the captain Steve Johnson, said: "Paul is far too important a player to risk in a match before the final if there's a

chance that the miury has not properly healed. He's a fit lad and the extra week's rest will be of more ATHLETICS: Work began yester

a stand with a scating capacity of 750. BASKETBALL: New caps, Coral Paris, of Slough and Tracsy Killingley, of Brighton are included in the England basketball squad for the women's European champion-ship in Yugoslavia from April 29 to

Court of Appeal



Cowans and Dilley: a pair that could yet match the best.

Gatting. A significant acquisition could be Holding, who has signed for Derbyshire. Though a trouble-some knee will prevent him from ever being fully fit again, he may win them a match or two. If he should do so, in partnership with a Dane (Derbyshire are in negotiation with Ole Mortensen, a 25-year-old Tax collector from Copenhagen, and the TCCB have ruled that a player from an EEC coantry shall not be classified as "overseas") that would indeed by unique.

CRICKET: LOOKING FOR THE NEW SEASON'S GOLD AT THE END OF THE RAINBOW

would indeed by unique. England continue the search for pening batsmen, with the three st of them, Gooth, Boycott and

Larkins, all in baulk. Fowler was injured in Australia when he was beginning to show just sufficient improvement to be kept in mind. Though they have yet to make a name for themselves, Hugh Morris, of Glamorgan, Cockbain, of Lan-cashire, Moxon, of Yorkshire, and Green, of Sussex, are worth following And for that first time the promising Barnett, of Derbyshire, will not have to spend a large part of his summer watching Kirsten and Wright making runs. The left-handed Morris, when at Bhundells, had an amazingly mature method

Romaines, a Geordie who plays for Gloucestershire, did well in Grade cricket in Sydney in the winter which is a hopeful sign.

took plenty of wickets in Brisbane, Call for change also in a good class of cricket. Surrey have Test Match candidates in by Sarfraz Thomas and David Smith two more who were in Sydney, and Alan Bombay (AP) - Sarfiaz Nawaz, the Pakistani fast bowler, has called for a 'drastic change' in the present administration of the game in Pakistan. He said in an interview yesterday that officials of the Roard of Control for Cricket in Pakistan Butcher. Smith is a thumping striker

Though Though disappointed last September not to be on the plane to Australia, Dilley may have been better off in South Africa, where he worked hard to get his rhythm back. There are such things as good tours to miss, and England's to Australia last winter could have been one of them. Still only 23, Dilley remains a genuine prospect. In two or three genuine prospect. In two or three years' time, he and Cowans could make a pair of opening bowlers to shire, by the way, came near in the New York to gaining a place in the New South Wales side, when he, too, was playing club cricket in

I take Sussex to win the championship, unless Gatting fails to get into the England side, in which case I would go for Middlesex. For the World Cup, I fancy Pakistan, Essex and Somerset should win one or other of the one should win one or other of the one-day competitions. As Yorkshire's captain, 51, Illingworth faces his last playing challenge; it would be good for the game if he could lead them to a title. Cricket, he says, is less fun to play than it used to be. But, as I am sure he knows, it always was when you are as old as that

Sri Lanka's captain for the first-ever Test between the two countries starting on friday. Mendis, aged 30, a hard-hitting batsman, was also appointed captain of the Sri Lankan Sri Lankans hang on

to foil Australians Colombo (Renter) - Stubborn Wood (14) and Wessels (30) were batting by the young players on the parted after adding 16 runs. Wessels Sri Lankan Cricket Control Board made 30 and reached a milestone of

But their dismissal in quick

succession after putting on 67 runs for the fifth wicket dampened any hopes of victory and the tailend batsmen held on for the draw. Leg-spinner Hogan exploited worn out patches at one end of the batting strip to capture three wickets for 43, his victims including Mendis and Abeynaike. Hogg, the fast

Yallop, 30 not out combined for an unbeaten third wicket partnership of 67 runs before Hookes, who captained, applied the closure in an attempt for victory. AUSTRALIA: First limings
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S Smith, not out
Extras (b-7, nb-1 Total (2 with dec) G 5 Chappel,* D W Hookes, 1R D Wooley, T G Hoger, B Yardiey, D K Liles and R M Hogg did not bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-48, 2-48.

have a poor knowledge of the game the Board president Air-Marsha

Nur Khan constantly interferes in the team selection though he is not a

On a brief halt here en route to

England to join his county side, Northamptonshire, and to play for Pakistan in the World Cup, Nawaz-said the board had issued a show-cause notice to him for critizing the

Imran Khan, the Pakistani captain.
"I refuse to accept the notice as

there is nothing in my contract to prevent me from speaking out."

Columbo (Reuter)-Dulcep Mendis, who led the teams that beat

Australia in two one-day matches last week, was yesterday named as

cricket administration, but ignored similar comments mad

PRESIDENT'S XI: First innious 131 PRESIDENT'S XI: First hintigs 131
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C Senanaysia, C Wooley, b Hogg
S Warnskiasuriye, C Wooley, b Hogg
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H Mendis, c Hooles, b Hoggan
R Absynsite, c Hooles, b Hoggan
R Ratingsia, but b Hoggan
A Site, c Hogg, b Wessels,
O Weensingfe not out

Total (8 wide) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-26, 3-70, 4-72, 5-138, 6-140, 7-178, 8-184.

the offices after completing a commercial course in Leeds. Brookes was not offered a trial by professional captain, and in 1957 he led them to second place in the Yorkshire because he had never played a high enough grade of cricket in his native county, but he was soon established in a Nor-

After the S

ason with Les Taylor, their fast training accident. Taylor, aged 29,

Taylor is one of the country's heading uncapped pace bowlers and was an England probable until receiving a three-year Test ban tollowing the rebel South African tour. He will see the club's

orthopaedic surgeon today but is likely to be out of action for several weeks.

Andy Roberts, the county's West Indies fast bowler, will miss the first two championship games because of his current commitments with the international side. Roberts, signed full-time by Leicestershire this year, is also likely to be unavailable during the World Cup.

after missing a game at the weekend and says his back is much better.

Taylor ruled out after unlucky break

one of the key men in Leicester-shire's championship challenge last season when they finished runners-up, collided with Gordon Parsons, his bowling colleague, in an indoor gymnasium session, and hospital X-ray examinations have confirmed

Northamptonshire improved and and Brookes's career as an opening batsman flourished, particularly after Freddie Brown arrived from Surrey and captained both Northamptonshire and England. In 1954 Brown retired, leaving Brookes to become the county's first

He played once for England,

County president's 50

years with Northants

By a Special Correspondent

Club, celebrated a golden jubilee of the county championship.

Ray Illingworth and Geoff Boycott are both hoping to play in Yorkshire's two-day friendly against the Colts, starting at Headingley today, despite reports of back trouble.

Dennis Brookes, the president of thamptonshire side who, at that Northamptonshire County Cricket time were very much the underdogs Dennis Brookes: guided

John Abrahams is Lancashire's surprise choice as deputy to captain Clive Lloyd. Abrahams spent 10 years fighting for a regular first team place before winning his county cap last season. Now he will be in charge whenever Lloyd is absent, which will include the first four games of

Illingworth has seen a specialist, who recommended tablets and heat treatment, "I am hoping it will clear up in time for me to play," he said. John Abrahams is Lancashire's the season and also during the three weeks of the World Cup in June.

Abrahams has been promoted thead of David Lloyd and Frank

President's XI yesterday prevented 10,000 runs in first class cricket the Australians scoring a victory before the first ever Test between Smith with 33 not out and

the two countries starting on Friday.

The Australians, beaten twice by
the Sri Lankan national side in oneday limited over matches last week, declared their second innings closed at 115 for two wickets at hunch That set the Sri Lankans a target of 244 runs to win in 150 minutes

and 20 mandatory overs and they started badly by losing the opening pair for 26 runs. But they held on grimly until the close and scored 184 for eight wickets to force a draw. Warnakulasmiya (31) and Kurup-pu (25) steadied the innings with a

useful partnerhip of 44 runs for the third wicket. Australia's chances of grabbing a win seemed bright when four wickets fell for 72. Then Hemal Mendis, with 30, and the skipper Abeynaike, 34, batted confidently

bowler, took two for 26.

Australia resumed their second innings yesterday morning at 27 without loss, but the opening pair of

BOWLING: G De Save, 124-36-2: Retrayate, 10-2-21-0; Guneratre, 1-0-3-0 Weerasinghe, 7-1-24-0; Abernaike, 4-0-18-0.

GOLF

US champion in move

to ioin Britain's women

By John Hennessy, Golf Correspondent

The Women's Professional Golf which was reduced from 72 holes to

risk Dodge

against Bristol on Saturday week, will not risk his England colleague, Paul Dodge, in Saturday's club game at Moseley.

ATHLETICS: Work began yester-day on a £1.2m expansion of the Northwood Sports complex at Stoke-on-Trent, which will eventu-ally have an eight-lane, 400 metre all-weather running track of inter-national standard. There will also be

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Haves, both former captains

Proper assessment of land deals tax

Taxes) Before Mr Justice Walton [Judgment delivered April 15]

Mr Cecil Yuill, the founder and managing director of a large building business in the north east of England, who in 1980 succeeded before the House of Lords in having an assessment to income tax that had been made on him under the anti-avoidance provisions relating to "artificial transactions in land". duced from £1,129,800 to £1,417,

the special commissioners' determi-nation, held that gains accruing on the sale of development land by two companies resident in Querusey but lunder the control of Mr Yuill, fell to the taxed as the income of Mr Yuill under the provisions of section 488 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 for the years from 1976 to 1980, being the years in which the gains were realized.

Durham were conveyed for a total of £121,000 to companies resident in Guernsey and controlled by Mr Yuill. The sales were carried out Durham were conveyed for a total of £121,000 to companies resident in Guernsey and controlled by Mr on Mr Yuill relating to the years Yuill. The sales were carried out with the sole or main object of with the sole or main object of realizing gains from the disposal of realizing gains from the disposal of realizing gains from the disposal of realizing gains from the disposal of realizing gains from the disposal of realizing gains from the disposal of realizing gains from the disposal of the purchase prices were said to the two companies. that land once planning permission

In 1972 two parceis of land in Co.

that land once planning permission had been acquired.

In 1974, after the permission had been granted, the companies the granted to sell the land to one of Mr Yuill's other companies for Mr Yuil's other companies for \$200,000 and £648,000 respectively.

Ynill v Fletcher (Inspector of The contracts provided for part-repayment of the agreed purchase prices in the event of land nationalization or compulsory purchase within five years.

assessment on him to income tax for 1973-74 of £1,129,800 that was made on the basis that the capital

with the opportunity to realize gains, the assessment was to be reduced to £1,417 on the ground left outstanding were not to be taxed as realized gains within the meaning of section 488 (3) (b) for the year 1973-74 (Yull v Wilson [1980] 1

were paid to the two companies.

It was further agreed that substantial parts of the purchase prices should not be paid to the two companies but should be left outstanding as loans repayable by instalments in future years.

An appeal by Mr Yuill against an lost his appeal against assessments made on the basis that the capital made on the capital made on the capital made on the capital made on the capital made on the capital made on the capital made on the capital made on the basis that the capital made on the basis that the capital made on the capital made

by the House of Lords. They held that although Mr Yuill had provided the two companies that the parts of the purchase prices

The Revenue subsequently made

Mr Leolin Price, QC, and Mr C. in which the contracts were made, W. Koenigsberger for Mr Yuill; Mr or at the latest one year later, and of Charles Potter, QC and Mr Christopher McCall for the Crown. MR JUSTICE WALTON said

that section 488 had been enacted to prevent tax avoidance by persons concerned in land or the develop-ment of land. Subsection (3) provided that where the section applied the whole of any gain should for all the purposes of the tax Acts be treated as being income which arises when the gain is realized, and which constitutes profits or gains chargeable to tax under Case VI of Schedule D for the chargeable period in which the gain is realized."

The earlier decision of the House of Lords dealt with the Crown's attempt to exact tax from Mr Yuill under section 488 in relation to 1973-74, the year in which the contracts of sale were made. The Crown had attempted to maintain that each of the two companies had to be treated as having realized the whole of the gain immediately. That was of course contrary to

common sense. All that was received in that year by the companies were the initial payments. And that was precisely what the House of Lords held.

Mr Price now submitted for the purpose of having the four assessments to income for the years from 1976 to 1980 (in each case simply based on the receipt of further swetches of the purchase prices in those respective years) discharged, that the rights of the two companies under the contracts were

capable of being valued in the year

Accordingly, it was said, no assessments that were made in respect of periods at any rate after the latter of the two periods, that Mr Price suggested were periods in which the valuation could be effected, would lie. Those submissions could not be given effect to. In the earlier case the House of Lords had laid down binding principles applicable to the present type of case.

As Lord Dilhorne put it in Yuill v

Wilson (at p918) basing his conclusions on the meaning to be given to the expression "the gain is realized" in subsection (3): "Gains will have been made by these companies as and when the instalments became repayable to them on demand and the appellant will be chargeable to income tax under Case VI in the years in which those sums became payable". Indeed all of their Lordships

made it clear that a "gain was realized" for section 488 purposes only when it could be effectively enjoyed and disposed of. Thus there could be no doubt that the matter was already decided against Mr Yuill by the House of Lords' It followed that the proper method of assessment to tax was

belatedly, now adopted. The appeal

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Experienced judges still err in summing up on standard of proof Regina v Quinn

in summing up on the standard of proof a judge must tell the jury that they must be satisfied of the. accused's guilt so that they could be sure of it. If judges used those words and then retrained from developing it and referring to it again and again when summing up, many cases would not reach the Court of Appeal.

Lord Justice Eveleigh (sitting with Mr Justice Caulfield and Mr Justice Anthony Lincoln) so stated on April 19 in the Court of Appeal (Criminal Division) when the court

Hopeless appeals over custody

Lord Justice Dunn sitting in the Court of Appeal with Lord Justice Purchas on April 18, after dismis-sing a father's custody appeal in which both parties were legally sided, said that such appeals against the exercise of judical discretion were to all intents and purposes

always hopeless.
HIS LORDSHIP said that if any matrimonial property was involved its market value on a sale would be diminished: by the costs of the castody litigation because of the Law Society charge and the parties' lawyers should always bear that in mind when giving advice.

conviction on Jamesry 13, 1983 at Sasresbrook Crown Court (Judge Quentin Edwards, QC and a jury) of

HIS LORDSHIP said that this

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APPOINTMENTS

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BBC 1

6.00 Ceefax AM. News headlines, weather, sport and traffic details.

5.30 Breaklast Time presented by Frank Bough and Selina Scott. News at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30 with headlines on the quarter hours; regional news at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45 and 8.15, sep fit between 7.15 and 7.30; tonigh's television previewed between 7.15 and 7.30; morning papers reviewed at 7.32 and 8.32; agony column between 8.30 and 9.00; cookery hints between

3.45 and 9.00. Closedown at 12.30 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Judith Stamper. The weather details come from Jack Scott. 12.57 Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles). 1.00 Febble Mill at One. Mike Smith continues with his cookery series, Grace and Flavour, there is news of the Sealink round Britain cycle race; and the entertainer the entertainer, Topol, is interviewed. 1.45 The Flumps. 2.00 Cartoon Double Bill. Two MGM classics - Art Gallery

2.15 Racing from Cheltenham features a challenge match between jockeys from England and Ireland. They compete in the Courage Directors Handicap Hurdle (3.05); and the Happy Eater Handicap Hurdle (3.40). 3.53 Regional

and Tale of the Vienna Woods

news (not London). 3.55 Play School. Shown earlier on BBC2. 4.20 The All New Popeye Show. Three cartoons starring the indestructible old salt. 4.45 Cheggers Plays Pop. The first of a new series of games and pop music presented by Keith Chegwin. 5.05 Newsround. The latest world news for young people presented by Paul McDowell. 5.10 The Story of the Treasure Seekers. Episode three of the six-part adventure

5.40 News with Moria Stuart, 6.00

South East at Six. Nationwide presented by Sue Lawley and Richard Kershaw. The programme includes the second film in John Hitchens examination of Our National

based on the novel by E Nesbit

6.50 Triangle. Episode six and the captain of the ferry receives a message that two explosive devices have been plented on

toard. It is a hoax? 7.15 Wildlife on One: Flower from the Flames, David Attenborough examines the protea family of flowers - the

7.40 Open All Hours, Arkwright panies when an old admirer of nunce Gladys Emmanuel

national emblem of South

comes back into her life. £.10 Dailas, Should Pamela help Seeby with his fight for Eving Cri and possibly lose him for ever or not help him and lose him to Katherine? Decisions,

Cacisions. 9.00 News with John Humphrys. 9.25 G.E.D.: A Guide to Armageddon. A repeat of Ludovic Kennedy's documentary that speculates

on the effects of nuclear weapons.
9.55 Sportsnight introduced by Harry Carpenter. Coverage of the closing frames of the World Snooker Championship

match between Jimmy White and Doug Mountjoy plus World Championship Ice Hockey from Dertmund. 11.18 News headlines.

11.20 Cannon. The obese private detective is on the trail of a man accused of strocities during World War II. 12.10 Weather.

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6.00 Daybreak with Gavin Scott followed at 6.30 by Good Morning Britain presented by Linda Berry and Nick Owen, News at 6.00, 7.08, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00 with city news at 5.15; Meryl Stevenson of The Economist reviews the morning papers at 5.33 and 8.33; Miriam Karlin is the celebrity quest at 8.20.

ITV/LONDON

9.30 Sesame Street, Learning made fun with the Muppets 10.30 Science International narrated by Michael Bentine 10.35 The Master Builders. Alastair Borthwick examines the designs of the incas (r) 11.00 Wild, Wild World of Animals. The world of wild dogs 11.30 Film Fun. More cartoons from the Roxy Cinema presented by Derek Griffiths (r).

12.00 Rod, Jane and Freddy sing a song about characters on a Chinese Willow pattern plate 12.10 Rainbow. Learning with puppets 12.30 Play it Again. Tony Bilbow's guest is actor Alun Armstrong who talks about his career and selects

clips from his favourite films 1.00 News 1.20 Thames news with Robin Houston 1.30 Crown Court Continuing the case of the journalist accused of withholding information from the security forces (r) 2.00 A Plus presented by Trevor Hyett. Kay Avila has a report on the dangers in the water we

2.30 Racing from Epsom, Live coverage of the Warren Stakes (2.35); the City and Suburban Handicap (3.10); and the Great Surrey Handicap

4.00 Rod, Jane and Freddy. A repeat of the program shown at noon 4.15 Dangermouse is intrigued to know what the evil Baron Greenback is doing at Buckingham Palace in episode three of The Planet of the Cats 4.20 The Sooty Show with Matthew Corbett 4.30 Cartoon Time: Porky's Phoney Express 4.45 What's Happening. A new quiz series for young people about the week's News

5.15 Mr and Mrs. 5.45 News 6.00 Thames news 6.25 Helpi Community news presented by Nancy

Robertson. 6.35 Crossroeds, Penny Banks thinks of a way to stop the affair between her father and Sharon Metcelfe.

7.00 Where There's Life. A new series presented by Drs Miniam Stoppard and Rob Buckman with the accent on heelth.

7.30 Coronation Street. Chalkle Whitely is ready to move in to the home of widow Kirby. 8.00 Carry On Laughing, Extracts from some of the funnier

moments from the Carry On to a letter sent to an agony aunt from one of the patients

in Ward 3 causes a certain amount of confusion (r). 9.00 Widows. The final episode and with the loot safely packed away will Dolly and Shirley be

able to get it past the custo officers in Rio de Janeiro? 10.00 News. 10.30 Midweek Sports Special. Exclusive coverage of the heavyweight contest between Joe Bugner and the American, Danny Sutton. Reg Gutteridge

is the commentator at the Alexandra Pavillon. 11.30 Mannly. The private detective is hired to find the son of an old friend.

12.25 Close with Michael Hordem.



Theresa Cahili and Jonathan Miller: Channel 4 6.30pm

BBC 2

6.05 Open University: Infant cognition 6.30 Perception: Cues and Schemes 6.55 Physics: Which Way to Turn? 7.20 Argument on Television: 2 7.45 Industrial Relations.

sedown at 8.10.

Asian women, Today a

women can protect

attacks, 19.45 Close

11.00 Play School. 11.25

Closedown.

member of the West Midland

police force, WPC Bhardwaj, talks to Lalita Ahmed and

Anita Neg Wilcox about how

themselves from physical

1.09 World Snooker. Live coverage

of the fifth day of the Embassy World Professional

Chempionship, introduced by David Vine from the Crucible

further coverage on this channel at 5.40 (Frame of the

Sportsnight on BBC1 at 9.55.

Open University programme in which Professor Sir David

Phillips explores the structure of Lysozyme, a powerfu

enzyme used by the body to

news from Sheffield plus

programme for Britain's black

London Transport bus driver who came to Britain from

Barbados in 1960 and is now

weekend conference at which

discussed racial attitudes: and

mayor of Hackney: Wayne

there is roller hockey from

in the series celebrating the

500th anniversary of the artist's birth, David Thompson

visits some of the places that

8.00 Raphael. The final programme

have connections with

9.00 One Night in Lincoln. Mike

anecdotes, tonight on the subject of Ladles' Man

9.30 Shackleton. Episode two and

Cape Royds, receives a

Shackleton, at his base at

setback in his plans to reach

the South Pole when he loses

several of his ponies during

coverage off the fifth day in the

Championship, introduced by Devid Vine from the Crucible Theatre, Sheffald

Systems Organization 1.00 Crustal and Mantle Processe

Laryea reports on the

white social workers

milities. Vince Herbert

7.25 News summary with subtitles

talks to Sam Springer, a

destroy bacteria (r)

5.40 World Snocker. The latest

Frame of the Day.

7.30 Ebony. A magazine

mament is also covered by

Theatre, Sheffield, There is

Day) and 11.30. The

5.10 The Action of Lysozymes. An

10.20 Gharbar. A magazine programme of interest to

 The bizarre world of the body builder is the subject of the fascinating film documentary. PUMPING IRON (Channel 4 9.00pm). The stars of the

programme are Arnold Schwarzenegger and Lou Ferrigno who are filmed as they train in a Californian gym for the 1975 Mr Olympia contest in South Africa. Schwarzenegger has already won the title five times while Ferrigno, at the time, held the Mr America and Mr Universe titles. Both have now embarked on acting careers with Ferrigno being more readily identifiable as television's Incredible Hulk. Lasting for 100 minutes the film might have been in danger of being over-long but, thanks to Schwarzenegger's humour and articulation, interest never lades.

Private Games is the title of the

first programme in a new series of

CHANNEL 4

5.00 Chips Comic has a day out at

5.30 Countdown. Another edition of

Richard Whiteley is the presenter, assisted by

book of definitions.

6.00 The Munsters' Herman

the words and numbers game,

eves he is being groomed

for film stardom but the film

to use Herman in a series of

accidents' in order to trick an

Insurance company into parting with money. Starring Fred Gwynne and Yvonne de

programmes analysing the work that goes on behind the

scenes in preparing an opera season. The opera is Kent

Beethoven's Fidelio, under the production of Jonathan Miller,

This week the programme concentrates on the role of the

arsal period. He is seen

conductor, Roger Norringto

working alongside Miller and with the singers and orchestra

opening night. The namator is

soap-box this evening is Labour Member of Parliament

through the three-week

as they prepare for the

7.00 Channel Four News.

7.50 Comment. On the political

Gerald Kaufman.

Brookside. Heather

Huntingdon is becoming

overwhelmed by the pressu

of her exams white Petra is

seems like the hundreds of

and moral issues raised by

people who want to organiza

losing patience with what

8.30 Twenty Twenty Vision: The Dumping Controversy. An examination of the political

6.30 Staging an Opera. The second in the series of six

Opera's version of

Islington's City Ferm.

CHOICE 4

Lewis Wolpert, professor of Biology

Joe O'Donnell's first play for radio is THE GIGANTIC BOAR Middlesex Hospital and other distinguished scientists. HOW SCIENCE WORKS (Radio 3 7.00pm) is aimed at discovering more about how scientists actually do science and why they do it. Professor Wclpert's first guest is Christopher Zeeman, professor of Mathematics at the University of Warwick, who talks about 'the queen of the

subject to some outsiders, myself included, to be as remote and as inviting as the South Pole. Professor Zeeman, bravely explains how he derives his pleasure and satisfaction from working on a problem that might take six years to solve and even then may have no immediate bearing in today's world.

sciences' - pure mathematics, a

just like any other job with 90 per cent nard work, the rest inspiration.

radio is THE GIGANTIC BOAR (Radio 4 3.02pm) an hilanous romp set in the 18th-century. Two Irishmen, Dooley and Grogan, played by Jim Norton and Sean Barrett, are on the run from the British forces following the battle of Enniscorthy, when they encounter an extremely large wild boar. With the help of a wily Scots entrepreneur, Conaid Macivor (Henry Stamper) they bring the animal to London and the Court of George IV. From there it is exhibited

It is, as professor Zeeman explains.

to the public at the Tower of London a fortune seems to be awaiting the trio. But then an unkind rumour begins to circulate about how the beast became so large and from then the excer trio's fortunes start to change for the worse.

Radio 4

Travel.

Listeners questions.
10.30 Morning Story.
10.45 Daily Service.†
11.00 News: Travel.
11.00 Baker's Dozen. Richard Baker with records.†
12.00 You And Yours.
12.00 You And Yours.

News.
1.00 The World At One: News.
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping

Forecast. 2.00 News. 2.02 Woman's Hour.

6.00 News Briefing.
6.10 Farming Today. 6.25 Shipping Forecast.
6.30 Today. including 6.45 Prayer for the Day. 6.55, 7.55 Weather.
7.98, 8.00 Today's News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.30, 8.30 News Headines. 7.45 Thought for the Day. 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament. 8.57 Weather; Travel.

9.00 News.
9.05 Mid-week.†
10.00 News.
10.02 Gardener's Question Tarre.
Listener's questions.

12.27 The Cunous World Of . . . 12.55 V/sather, Travel: Programme

3.50 News.
3.02 Afternoon Theatre. The Gigantic
Boar by Joe O'Donnell.†
3.47 Time For Verse.

4.00 News. 4.02 Just After Four. 4.02 Just After Four.
4.10 File On 4.
4.40 Story Time. Goodbye to All That by Robert Graves (8).1
5.00 PM: News magazine. 5.50 Shipping Porecast. 5.55 Weather; Programme News.
6.00 The Six o Clock News; Financial Report.

Report. 6.39 My Music.t 7.00 News.

7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Checkpoint (new series).
Investigations into fisteners'
croblems of unfair dealings and

injustice. 7.45 Fire in The City. A portrait of

VHF as above except: 6.25-6.30

7.45 Fire in The City. A portrait of Marcin Luther.

8.45 In The Psychiatrics's Chair.
Playwright Arnold Wesker.

9.30 Kalekdoscope. Arts magazine.
9.59 Weather.

10.00 The World Tonight News.
10.30 In The Air with Anthony Holden.
11.00 A Book At Bedtime. The Road to Oxiana by Robert Byron (3).

11.15 The Finsciel World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
12.00 News, Weather.

12.15 Shipping Forecast, Inshore Forecast.

VHF as above except: 6.25-6.30

mm Weather, Trevel. 1.55-2.00 Listening Corner. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.00 Study On 4. A series of six programmes on chalects and accents in England

today (1): The Real Speech of England, 11.30-12.10 am OPEN Enquiry, 11.50 The Mystical

Radio 3

6.55 Weather.

7.00 News.
7.05 Your Midweek Choice. Record requests: Dvorak, Faure, Suk; records.f

a.00 News. 8.05 Your Midweek Choice (continued) Haydn, Finzt, records. 9.00 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composer.

Schumann; records.1 10.00 Music for Two Pianos. Stravinsky, Debussy, Shostakovich.1

Snostakovich,†
11.20 Gariand for Walter De La Mare.
Song recital: Howells,†
11.55 Heydn, Szymanowski, BBC
Philharmonic Orchestra,†

1.00 News. 1.05 Concert Half, Pieno recital: Tchalkovsky, Liszt.†
2.15 A Handel Concert in Chicago.

Chicago Symphony Orchestra 4.00 Choral Evensong, Direct from Worcester Cathedral.†

4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure.
6.30 Jazz Today.
7.00 How Science Works. First of six taks with Christopher Zeeman, Professor of Mathematics at the University of Washink. University of Warwick.

7.30 Music on Record.
7.45 London Sinfonietta, direct from the Gusen Elizabeth Hall, London, Part 1: Britten.
8.30 Sia Continents.
8.50 London Sinfonietta. Part 2: Hans Abrahamsen, Britten.
9.45 Her First Bell. Short story by Katherine Mansfield.

10.00 Cantigas De Santa Maria. The New London Concert.† 10.50 The Symphonies of Roberto Gerhard. Collages (No. 3).† Gernaru. 11.15 News. VHF:Open University. 11.20pm Individual Differences. 11,40-12.00 Television and Politics (5).

Radio 2 5.00cm Ray Moore t 7.30 Terry Wogan t 10.00 Alan Whicker t 12.00

Music White You Work t 12.30 Gloria

HTV WALES

As HTV West except: 6.00pm-6.35 Wales at Six: With Michael Lloyd-

Hunniford, including 2.02 Sports Dask.† 4.00 David Hamilton, including 4.02, 5.30 Sports Desk t 6.00 John Dunn, including 6.45 Sport and Classified mouumg 6.45 Sport and Classified
Results.17.30 Romile Aldrich.1 & .18
Listen To The Band with Charlie
Chester.1 9.00 The Organist Entertains,
with Nigel Ogden.1 9.30 Hubert Gregg
says Tranks for the Memory. 9.57
Sports Desk. 10.00 Albert And Me.
10.30 Russel Device processes Bound 10.30 Russei Davies presents Round Midnight, 1.00am Folk On 2.1 2.00-5.00 Colin Berry, presents You and the Night and the Music.† VHF as Radio 1 10.00pm-midnight.

Radio 1

8.00am Adrian John with The Early Show, 7.00 Steve Wright, 9.00 Simon Bates, 11.30 Mike Smith including 12.30 Newsbeet, 7.00 Radio 1 Matchag, 8.00 Richard Sranner, 10.00-12.00 John

WORLD SERVICE

S-Diam Newsdesk 6.20 Diversions, 7.00 World News, 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary, 7.30 The Brotherhood of Brass, 7.45 Report on Religion, 8.03 World News, 2.09 Reflectoria, 8.15 The Golden Aga of Operatin, 8.39 Smash of the Day, All Gas and Operatin, 8.30 World News, 9.09 Review of the British Press, 9.15 The World Today, 9.30 Financial News, 9.40 Look Abacd, 8.45 The Instruments of Jezz, 18.15 Mantal Rites, 11.09 World News, 11.08 News About Entain, 11.15 Listening Post, 11.30 Mendian, 12.00 Racion Newsreel, 12.15 Nature Notebook, 12.25 The Farming World, 12.25 Sports Round-tip, 1.00 World News, 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary, 1.30 Lary as I am! 2.15 Report on Resignon, 2.30 Fromen in Love, 3.00 Radio News, 1.29 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary, 1.30 Lary as I am! 2.15 Report on Resignon, 2.30 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary, 8.30 Assignment, 9.00 Network, U. 9.15 Short Story, 8.20 Jacquent, 19.00 Network, U. 9.15 Short Story, 8.20 Jacquent, 19.00 Network, U. 9.15 Short Story, 8.20 Jacquent, 1.20 News Summary, 1.15 Profiled Ritesy, 11.29 Top Twenty-12.20 News, 12.29 News About Britain, 12.15 Redio Newsreel, 12.20 Listening Post, 12.45 Smach of the Day, All Gas and Gatters, 1.15 Outlook, News Summary, 1.45 Sing, Sing, 2.02 World News, 2.09 Review of the British Press, 2.16 Network UK, 2.50 Assignment, 3.00 World News, 2.50 Review Of the British Press, 2.16 Network UK, 2.50 Assignment, 3.00 World News, 4.55 Reflections, 5.00 World News, 5.03 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary, 5.45 The World Today.

All times in GMT Dillam Navaripole & 30 Diversions, 7.00 World

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

WALES: 12.57 pm-1.00 News of Wales Headlines: 3.53-3.55 News of Wales Headlines: 6.00-6.25 Wales Today. 12.10 am News and weather. SCOTLAND: 12.55 pm-1.00 The Scottish News. 5.00-6.25 Reporting Scotland. 9.25-9.55 Current Account

BORDER

As London except. 10.32am Larry the Lamb. 10.40 Paint along with Nancy. 11.10-11.40 Target Impossible. 1.20cm-1.30 News. 5.15-5.45 Survival. 6.00-6.35 Lookaround. 11.30 Barney Miller. 12.00 News. 12.03am Closedown.

GRAMPIAN

11.20-11.50 OED: A Guide to Armageddon. 11.50 News and weathe NORTHERN IRELAND: 12.57 pm-1.00 Northern Ireland News, 3,53-3,55 Northern Ireland Naws, 6,00-6,25 Scene Around Six. 12.10 am News and weather. ENGLAND: 6.00 pm-6.25 Regional news magazines. 12.15 am

Britain's refusal to recognize the two-year moratorium on nuclear waste dumping signer by Britain and 51 other Sterts: 2.10pmFfalabalam. 2.20 Interlude. 2.45 Be Your Own Boss. 3.10 countries. Despite Interlude. 2.45 Be Your Own Boss. 3.10 Full Life: Lady Longford. 3.35 Alter Image. 4.00 Planet of the Apes. 4.50 Clwb S4C. 4.55 Pili-pale. 5.00 Eiry aur a Jac Trafs. 5.50 Munsters. 6.00 Brookside. 6.55 Gair yn ei Bryd. 7.00 Newyddion Sarth. 7.30 Awyr Iach. 8.00 Y Byd ar Bedwar. 8.25 Shwoer. 9.25 Film: Word of Honour. Freedom of the Press threatened in a murder case. 11.00 international pressure this country plans to continue dumping nuclear waste which, it is estimated, causes 90% of Taking part in the programme are Dr John Lewis of the United Kingdom Energy Twenty twenty vision. 11.30 Ele3venth Hour. 1.20am Geir yn ei Bryd. 1.25 Closedown. Authority, a Greenpeace representative and Jim Slater

9.00 Film: Pumping Iron (1976). A documentary about the top people in the world of body lding. Directed by George Butler and Robert Flore.

10.40 Voices: Farewell to the Working Class. Robert Hutchison is in the chair for a debate in which French social critic Andre Gorz argues that commitment to economic growth and full employment should be abandoned 11.45 Closedown.

SCOTTISH

As London except 10.30am Amazing Years of Cineme. 10.55 Wild Canada. 11,45-12.00 Children of Srunet. 1.20pm 1.30 News. 5.15 Crossroads. 5.40-5.45 7.00 Report. 11.30 Late Call. 11.35 Journey to the Unknown. 12.30am

As London except: 10.30am Cartoon Time, 10.35-11.30 Greatest Adventure. 1.20pm-1.30 News, 5.15-5.45 Joanie Loves Chachi, 6.00-6.35 Coast to Coast. 11.30 The Cimarons, 12.30em Company. Closedown.

TYNE TEES

As London except 9.25 sm News. 9.30 AS London except 5.2.3 Bit News. 5.35 Story of Tutshkhemiun. 10.20 Surnival. 10.45 European Folk Tales. 11.10-11.30 Vicky the Viking. 1.20 pm News. 1.25-1.30 Where the Jobs Are. 5.15-5.45 Diff rent Strokes, 6.03 Naws, 6.0 Crossroads, 6.25-7.00 Northorn Life. 11.30 Darkroom. 12.10 em Epilogue.

YORKSHIRE

As London except: 10.30 am Wonders of the Underwater World, 10.55 Jump. 11.05-11.30 Video Sounds, 1.20 pm-1.50 News, 5.15-5.45 Diff rent Strokes, 6.03-8.35 Calendar, 12.00 Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 9.30am Film Fun.
10.00 Crazy World of Sport: 10.215
Different Timbres: 10.40 Look Who's
Tallding: Tommy Trinder: 11.05 Eali
Mystique: 11.55-12.00 Wattoo. Wattoo.
1.20pm-1.30 News. 5.15-5.45 Diff'ram
Strokes, 6.00 Crossroads, 6.25-7.00
News. 11.30 Mannix: 12.30am
Closedown. **ANGL!A**

As London except 10.30 am Wattoo Wattoo. 70.40 Hands. 11.05-11.30 Paint Along with Nancy. 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 6.00-6.35 About Anglia. 11.30 Simh and Sinton. 12.30 am Some Day I'll Find You; Closedows As London except: 10.30am Cartoon. 10.40 Wild, Wild World of Animals: Lion. 11.05-11.30 Fiintstones. 1.20pm-1.30 News. 5.15-5.45 Three Little Words. 8.00-5.35 News. 11.30 Journey to the Unknown. 12.30am Closedown.

GRANADA

As London except 10.39 am Larry The Lamb. 13.40-11.30 Wilderness Alive. 1.20 pm-1.39 Granada Reports. 2.00-2.30 Exchange Flags. 5.15-5.45 Baverly Hillbürse. 6.30 This is Your Right. 6.35 Crossroads. 6.30-7.50 Granada Reports. 11.30 Blackform Darts Cup. 12.05 am Earney Miller. 12.35 Closedown.

As London excest: 10.39 am European AS Conton to the Car.

11.05-11.30 Call It Macaron: 1.20 pm1.30 News. 5.17 Gus Honeybun. 5.205.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Today Scoth West, 6.30-7.03 9 to 5, 11.30 M Special, 12.25 am Postscript, 12.31 Closedown,

ULSTER

As London except 10.30 am Wondreft: Stories of Professor Kircel. 10.35 Flying Krwi. 1.00 Cartoon. 11.05-11.30 Adventures of Gulliver. 1.20pm-1.30 Lunchtime, 5.15-5.45 Happy Days, 5.02-6.35 Good Evening, Ulster, 11.30 House Calls, 11.55 News; Closedown.

CHANNEL

As London except: Starts 12.00-12.10pm Rod, Jane and Freddy, 1,20 News, 5,20-5,45 Crossroads, 6,00 Channet Report, 6,30-7,00 W.R.P in Cincinneti, 11,30 Musical Special:

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† Stereo **Black and white, (r) Repeat.

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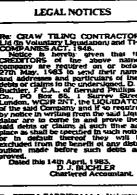
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The Queen smiles in acknowledgement of the cheers of her guards after inspecting the Queen's Company of the First Battalion of the Grenadier Guards at Windsor Castle

achieve nuclear stability at the

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missile systems to induce the

Mr Reagan's "star wars"

proposal for an anti-ballistic

missile system in outer space is

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to "all scientists of the world",

The statement, released by

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Nicholas Timmins writes.

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Reagan agrees silo bases for 100 MX missiles

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington

President Reagan yesterday "dense pack" formation at an ation to "work relentlessly to publicly endorsed a proposal for air force base in Wyoming, the deployment of 100 MX The II-member commit The 11-member commission, intercontinental ballistic misswhich included six former from his remarks was the strong iles in existing Minuteman defence secretaries, was set up anti-Soviet rhetoric which has silos, pending the development by Mr Reagan after this characterized some of his recent by Mr Reagan after this of a new small, single warheadrejection to work out a politi-cally acceptable way of deploy-However, he emphasized ed missile. The recommendation was made last week by ing the MX. In testimony before the President's bipartisan a Senate committee on Mon-commission on strategic forces day. General Scowcroft admitheaded by retired General Brent ted that his panel's recommen- Soviet Union to negotiate Scowcroft. dations were shaped as much by seriously on arms reductions.

Addressing members of Congress at the White house he commission's recsition is expected from Con- attack star wars included stepped-up research and development into ways of hardening silos, would preserve stable deterrence and this protect the peace". dent's endorsement Mr James He said they would also add Wright, the House Majority solid incentives and credibility Leader, said he would support to our efforts to negotiate arms the new plan. "It's not ideal", reductions that can pave the he said. "But I think it's

way to a more secure and probably the best we can hope peaceful future". Both houses of Congress now He said the House of have 45 days in which to Representatives had agreed to give early consideration to the commission's recommendations. They would be looked unclear disarmament, when our approve the new basing mode for the MX. Their approval is commission's to release \$600m (£382m) in engineering funds at on their own merits and not that have been blocked since as part of the overall debate on last December when Congress defence spending.

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In his statement yesterday Mr clear destabilization of the rejected an earlier plan to In his statement yesterday Mr clear destabilizated deploy 100 of the missiles in Reagan pledged his determine existing balance.".

British cash 'to update US mills'

A union spokesman said

vesterday that it was not yet prepared to comment specifi-cally on Mr Roderick's testimony other than to underscore its intention to oppose the joint venture if a deal is signed.

"We are not prepared to lose American jobs to subsidized low-cost steel from abroad which is produced by a government-owned company, the spokesman warned.

Union officials fear that if the British Steel venture is allowed to go through, then other American companies will pursue similar ventures with European and Asian producers which would result in the loss of thousands of domestic jobs.

Search off

Singapore (Reuter) - An air German-owned yacht was suspended nine days after the crew radioed that the vessel had been shelled and set ablaze in the Spratley Islands, South China sea. Prospects for finding any survivors among the six people on board were regarded as dim. Four were amateur radio enthusiasts planning transmissions.

TV-am dismisses Ford and Rippon

Continued from page 1

It is no secret that the company is in financial trouble. Last week two backers wrote off their financial investments in

David Frost has also been dropped from presenting the show after the audiences fell to about 400,000 during weekdays and is now doing interviews. Miss Rippon, before her dismissal, had also been moved in favour of the relatively unknown Lynda Berry.
An executive at TV-am, who

asked not to be named, said



Angela Rippon: Left the

yesterday that "paranoia was stalking the corridors. I think everybody is a bit afraid. Very few people have been able to give their best through lack of

He added that after the power struggle between Mr Michael Deakin, the programme con-troller, which ended in Mr Jay's dismissal last month, it was "difficult to see how Anna and Angela could survive after their comments to the press."

Mr Frost's quote about it being necessary to get "the sexual chemistry" right "seems to have exploded", the executive said. "There was no sexual chemistry and there was a feeling they were not the two best presenters in the world - a bit priggish really".

It was also claimed by some

TV-am employees that the company was trying to cut costs by removing the very highlypaid presenters.

A number of employees believed the power of the presenters was too great and that they were responsible for the poor ratings which com-pared disastrously with BBC's Breakfast Time show. The presenters were criticized for talking over running time and ruining carefully-prepared programme schedules, the execu-

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Frank Johnson in the Commons

Thatcher stricken with election fever

of election fever in the Commons yesterday, the mystery disease which has had massive publicity for weeks and which can cause the premature death of entire governments

Last night she was undergoing treatment from Dr William Whitelaw and Dr Francis Pym, two top physicians who have devoted their lives to combating the killer virus after the terrible outbreak of February, 1974. And a warning went out to members of the public who live on the Conservative backbenches to avoid contact with at least three men believed to be the 'carriers" of the disease.

One Mr Norman Tebbit, who is understood to be connected with a bicycle business. Another is Mr Cecil Parkinson, a well-dressed, fairhaired former accountant from the Home Counties who is said to be a transmitter of the virus's lethal "Conservative Central Office" strain.
The third is Sir Geoffrey Howe, a Chancellor of the Exchequer from Surrey East about whom nothing is

Mr Thatcher was taken ill after about five minutes of a routine Prime Minister's question time. Until then, she had been bullying Mr Michael Foot about nuclear war and raging at a harmless Labour backbencher who had accused her of causing unemployment in the West Midlands. She therefore appeared to be behaving normally.

Then Mr Foot asked her whether she had been cor-rectly reported at the weekend when according to Mr Foot, she had claimed that she would be the first Prime Minister to go to the country with a lower inflation rate than she had inherited.

Unmistakable symptoms

He protsested that her reported claim could not be true because Mrs Thatcher had inherited from the last Labour government a lower inflation rate than the one she left to Labour as a member of Mr Edward Heath's govern-

The Prime Minister began her reply by saying: "As-suming that the forecasts of inflation are reasonable, and

Mrs Thatcher had an attack even if they go up a bit in the

At this, she was interrupted by Mr Denis Healey, a retired 1930s Oxford Marxist who was sitting on a bench opposite her. This man was heard to shout something like: "Cut and run".

It was then that Mrs Thatcher had her seizure. "Ooooh," she cried, gesturing towards Mr Healey. The right hon gentleman is afraid of an election, is he? He is frightened ... frightened ... frightened."

Above a great deal of noise, she had repeated the word as if in a trance. The symptoms were inmistakable. Those older Tory backbenchers who had been out East, and had experience of tropical diseases. were in no doubt. It was the dreaded election fever. Panic gripped both sides of the House.

Heartbreak of Heath

It looked as if Mrs Thatcher had been stricken by a form of virus known as Peephologists' Tummy, since she appeared to have taken an overdose of opinion polls. Mr Heath was sitting only a few feet away from her, but was unable to come to her aid.

He contracted the fever in the winter of 1974. As a result, he called an election in the unseasonable month of February. It ruined his life. Now he lives in a twilight world below the gangway, emerging during debates on the Third World to tell his heartbreak

story.
With ensiderable courage, Mrs Thatcher managed to pull herself together and resume haranguing Mr Foot and Mr Healey about inflation as if it were a day like any other. Mr Foot said he and his party were happy to have an early election.
This enabled everybody to

start laughing as if nothing had happened. Life returned to normal. Mrs Thatcher left the chamber shortly afterwards as if she were quite well. These periods of normality are quite common in this illness. They tell us nothing about the patient's chances of recovery. Mrs Thatcher's condition

last night remained serious. The Queen has asked to be kept informed.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

Mother opens a Luncheon Club and Day Centre for the West Indian elderly in Railton Road, Brixton, 3. Princess Margaret visits the factory of Bryant and May, Garston. anniversary of the National Art Collections Fund she attends a Topicert at the Barbican, 6.45.
The Duke of Gloucester opens

the new civic offices, Woking, Surrey, 2.30.

Princess Michael of Kent presents Sony Radio Award trophies at the Hilton International Hotel, 12.30.

New exhibitions

Geramics, wallhangings, paintings and prints by Alastair Dunn Frances Nevay and Peter Howson Maclaurin Art Gallery, Rozelle Park, Ayr, Mon to Sat 11 to 5, Sun 2 Paintings by prisoners, Tunbridge
Wells Art Gallery, Civic Centre,
Mount Pleasant; Mon to Fri 10 to

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7 Country with one and two thirds

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20 Why bride, when we leave, is

22 It's calamitous when soldiers fall

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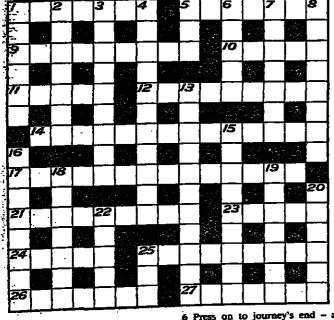
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Catch rakish Frenchman on the

5.30 (from today until May 4). The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16.108



1 Hit slightly and injured Pip ran outside (7). 5 Remove the water provided, we

hear, for the steward (7). 9 Town disrupted by rows? Yes 13 Irishman hits in fits of temper and no (4-2-3). 18 These parts of the test contain 15 A Red's repeated order, "Forno French poetry (5).

11 Got that boy (5). 12 Confection for one beloved of Cupid - he's missing in the film

18 Under top it goes with a swing enuence (5-4). 14 Do farm birds get damaged in

battle? (8,6). 17 Most recent entry in the 21 I fly and refuse to move slowly

23 Sported nuts (5).
24 Next to 10 in alphabetical order, that's evident (5). 25 Government department out of order, right? (9).

.26 Tries otherwise to admit students in the framework (7). 27 Sends up motion to adjourn (7).

1 Rabbit-skin perhaps or mare'stail is all the rage (6).

2 Visible perception (7). 3 Schedule for gaining weight (9). 4 No wonder DDT is scattered

and pressed underfoot (4-7). 5 Run haif a vale (3).

CONCISE CROSSWORD PAGE 12

Watercolours by Michael Whitt-lesea, and percelain by Julian Stair, Katharine House Gallery, The Parade, Marlborough; Wed to Sai 10 to 5. Sun 11 to 4 (until May 27).

Exhibitions in progress

A mansion of many chambers: Special purchases and loans, Southampton Art Gallery, Civic Centre, Tues to Sat 11 to 5.45, Sun 2 to 5 (until May I).

How we used to live 1935-53: Museum and Art Gallery, Chequers Road Donesster: Mon to Thurs IG to 5, Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (until lune IO).

Giacometh's lithographs; and work of Walsall Photographic Society; Walsall Museum and Art Gallery. Lichfield Street; Mon to Fri 10 to 6, Sat 10 to 4.45 (until April

Art and the Land, Rochdale Art Gallery, The Espisnade; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2.30 to 5 (until May 1). Sculptures by Anthony Caro; National Museum of Wales. National Museum of Wales, Cathays Park, Cardiff: Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2.30 to 5 (until May 5). Twentieth century people: Por-trait drawings and prints; Glynn Vivian Ari Gallery and Museum.-Alexandra Road, Swansea; Mon to Sat 10.30 to 5 (until May I).

Sports Photographer of the Year, RPS National Centre of Photography, The Octagon, Milsom Street, Bath, Mon to Sat 10 to 4.45 (until May 3).

distant Prospect: Aerial A distant Prospect: Aerial photography from the past 125 years; Impressions Gallery of Photography, 17 Colliergate, York: Tues to Sat 10 to 6 (until May 7). Modern Turkish paintings from the collection of Is Bankasi; City Art Centre, 2 Market Street, E dintered. Most 25 st 10 to 5 (until burgh; Mon to Sat 10 to 5 (until May 14).

Ceramics by Anne Vallarde, Maclaurin Art Gallery, Rozelle Park, Ayr, Mon to Sat 11 to 5, Sun 2 o 5 (until May I). Last chance to see

proadsheet (1967-78): Poetry, prose and graphics; and illuminated poems by Alan Bold; National Library of Scotland, George IV Bridge, Edinburgh; 9.30 to 5 (ends today). Talks, lectures

Silk: Worth its weight in gold, by J. Calder, Royal Scottish Museum, Chambers Street, Edinburgh, 2.
The Cozens and Girtin sketch-books, by Francis W. Hawcroft, Whitworth Art Gallery, Manchester

University, 1. Music Organ recital by Kevin Duggan, Christ Church, Julian Road, Bath, Concert by Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, Colston Hall, Bristol, 7.30.

Concert by Bournemouth Sinfoniietta, Great Hall, Dartington, Concert by Leicestershire Youth Choir, The Rowans, College Street, Leicester, 7. Recital by Pendyrus Male Choir,

St David's Hall, Cardiff, 7.30. Music at the Court of Elizabeth I with Roger Glass (countertenor), Strathclyde Renaissance Band and University Chamber Choir, Strathclyde University 22 Richmond Street, Glasgow, 7.30. General

Auction of Georgian, Victorian and other furniture, and art works, Bearnes, Rainbow, Torquay, 10.

New books - hardback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week: A Handbook of Roman Art, edited by Martin Henig (Phaldon, £15). Constable. The Painter and his Landscape, by Michael Rosenthal (Yale, £15.95).

Secrets of the Face, by Lallan Young (Hodder & Stoughton, £6.95)

Airbus service

Anniversaries

Inn, Austria, 1889; Harold Lloyd, film actor, Burchard, Nebraska, 1893.

novelist, Avignon, France, 1914.

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The Squandered Peace, the World 1945-1975, by John Valzey (Hodder Stoughton, £14.95).

Street will be served by route A3.

A3 will stop at Hammersmith
(Cunard Hotel), Kensington High Buses will leave Heathrow (Terminal 3) at 7.30 am and hourly until 2.30 pm. Return journeys from Euston Bus Station will begin at 8 am and rue hourly until 3 pm. Fares on all three Airbus routes will be £2.50 single.

Deaths: Canaletto, Venice, 1768: Brans Stoker, theatrical manager and author (Dracula), Loudon, 1912; Samuel Ratherford Crockett.

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The Miracle of Ounkirk, by Walter Lord (Allen Lane, 28.95).

Retail Price Index: 327.3.

London: The FT Index closed down

9.8 at 685.2.

London Transport will add a third route to its Airbus services between central London and Heathrow Airport beginning on Saturday. The new route A3 will run daily during the morning and early afternoon, linking Euston and main hotel areas with all three terminals

at Heathrow. Airbus route A2 (Paddington to Heathrow) will revert to its former more direct route via Holland Park Avenue, because Kensington High Street, Park Lane (Hilton Hotel), Marble Arch and Russell Square.

Sells 1.79

Salvador, by Joan Didion (Chatto & Windus, 28.95)

The Cambridge Guide to English Literature, by Michael Stapieton (Cambridge

The Norman Heritage, 1086-1200, by Trevor Rowley, and The Georgian Triumph 1700-1830, by Michael Reed, new series "The Making of Britain" (Routledge & Kegan Paul, £9.95 and £12.50).

Births: Adolf Hitler, Braunau am

London, East Anglia, SE England, E Midlands: Fog patiches clearing, sunny mierals, showers later, some heavy; wind variable, light; max 8 to 10C (46 to 50F). Central S, Channel Islands, SW England, S Wales: Showers, wintry on hits, heavy at times, some sunny intervals; wind veriable, light or moderate; max 8 to 10C (46 to 50F).

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E. Centrals in and his England, w Midlands Surny periods but scattered showers, wintry in places; wind W, moderale, becoming variable, light; max 7 to 9C (45 to 48F). In Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, N Roads ' London and South-east: A2: Roadworks all day at several places on Old Kent Road, Southwark

Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, N Ireland: Surmy intervals, showers, wentry in places, especially on hills; wind NW, moderate, becoming variable, light; max 8 to 10C (46 to 50F).

Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Certrat Highlands, Moray Firth, NE Scotland: Cloudy, rain and sleet, snow on hills, becoming brighter; wind NW light or moderate; 5 to 7C (41 to 45F).

Orthory, Shetland: Cloudy, rain and sleet, wind masnly N, fresh or strong; max 4 or 5C (39 to 41F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Mi:Two lanes southbound approaching junction 7 (M10 turn-off).

M4: One lane only westbound at junction 11 (Reading). A3: Roadworks both ways at Milford.

Wales and West: A37: Temporary signals at Pensford, Bristol to Midsoner Norton M6. Lane Midsomer Norton M5: Lane Midsomer Norton, MS: Lane closures both ways between junctions 10 (Cheltenhanm) and 12 (Gloucester). A483: Traffic lights at places between Llandrindod Wells Outbook for tomorrow and Friday: Continuing unsettled and rather cold with night trost and tog in places. and Newtown.
Midlands: MS4: Lane closure SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Straights of Dover: Wind SW, Fresh, becoming sight; See moderate, becom-ing smooth. English Chemnel (E): Wind variable, becoming E, light or moderate; Sea slight. St George's Chennel, Irlish Esa: Wind N becoming variable, light or moderate; sea slight.

both ways on Tellord bypass. As: Temporary signals at Darley Dale, Dove Holes and Belper. A6: Temporary lights on Preston Road, Whittle-le-Woods. A1/A6136: Lane closed on Catterick bypass. M6: Lane closures until October between junctions 25 (A49 Wigan) and 27 (A5209 Wigan) Standish). (A5209 Wigan/Standish).
Scotland: A90: Lane and carriage-way closures on Forth Road Bridge; diversion for loads wider than 9ft 6in. A91: Single-lane traffic near Auchtermuchty. M8: Outside lanes closed back that the control of the

closed both ways carriageways east of junction 30 (Paisley).

both ways on Telford bypass. At:

Information suplied by the AA. The papers

the United States.

The women's revolt of the past 20 years against men who would consign them to an inferior tank has been natural and right, the Daily Mirror says. "But like all resol-utions it has excesses which cannot be defended.". For five years Mr Micheal Foot

was a member of a Labour Cabinet that was committed to nuclear weapons. The Sun says. Now he produces his miserable apologia for peace at any price. The Washington Post said yesterday that the bombing at the American embassy in Beirut would almost certainly fail in intimidating

Only when Israel's, Syria's and the PLO's forces are removed can

"Lebanon be expected to rise by

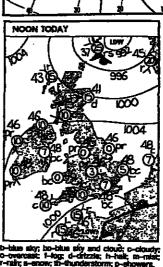
degrees, with American and other international help, to the challenge

of imposing domestic order.". Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Social Security and Housing Benefits Bill, committee and remaining stages.

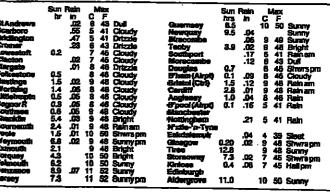
Lords (2.30): Debate on energy

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Around Britain



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